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'Eyes of World Are Upon You

Text of General Eisenhower's Order of the Day, distributed to each member of the invasion force before his embarkation, and read to all other troops of the Allied Expeditionary Force:

"Soldiers, sailors and airmen of the Allied Expeditionary Force: You are about to embark upon the great crusade toward which we have striven these many months. The eyes of the world are upon you. The hopes and prayers of liberty-loving peoples everywhere march with you. You will bring about the destruction of the German war machine, the elimination of Nazi tyranny over the oppressed peoples of Europe and security for ourselves in a free world.

"Your task will not be an easy one. Your enemy is well trained, well equipped and battle hardened. He will fight savagely.

"But this is the year 1944. Much has happened since the Nazi triumphs of 1940-41.

"The United Nations have inflicted upon the Germans great defeat in open battle man to man. Our air offensive has seriously reduced their strength in the air and their capacity to wage war on the ground.

"Our home fronts have given up an overwhelming superiority in weapons and munitions of war and placed at our disposal great reserves of trained fighting men.

"The tide has turned.

"The free men of the world are marching together to victory. I have full confidence in your courage, devotion to duty and skill in battle.

"We will accept nothing less than full victory.

"Good luck, and let us all beseech the blessing of Almighty God upon this great and noble undertaking."

Churchill

"I cannot, of course, commit myself to any particular details as reports are coming in in rapid succession. So far, the commanders who (See "Eyes on You," page 6)

171,358 Casualties

WASHINGTON—Total Yank casualties in Italy thus far are 57,529—9,964 killed; 38,554 wounded and 9,011 missing. Casualties for a 3-day period in the midst of heavy fighting south of Rome were 2,379.

Total Army casualties in all theaters, through May 21, were 171,358—38,952 killed, 68,779 wounded, 40,084 missing and 33,543 taken prisoner.

Private Snoozes in Glider, Wakes Up in Heavy Fighting

Most surprised member of the Invasion Allied Armies was Pvt. Charles Schmelze, Pittsburgh, Pa., who crawled into a parked glider sometime before H-hour to catch 40 winks. He woke up later to find himself landing in a zone of heavy fighting.

Also surprised and sleeping was Secretary of War Stimson. "I was home in bed when the invasion was taking place," he said.

"About 4:20 o'clock I happened to waken and thought of turning on the radio. I was about as surprised as any one else when I heard a news correspondent telling how he had just returned from an air plane trip from France where parachutists were dropped.

There's one in every outfit—meaning a butterfly. One guy who qualified for this dubious distinction was a befuddled private who dropped his carbine over-board the minute after he embarked on an invasion barge. His company commander sent a motor launch ashore and within 15 minutes had a new gun for him.

Mickey Mouse was in on the landings on France, too! Naval officers gathering for takeoff and briefing at a southern port whispered the password to the sentry: "Mickey Mouse!"

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isingly Low In Taking in France, Stimson Reports



GENERAL "IKE" radiates confidence. Flashing his characteristic smile, General Eisenhower greets two British officers at a mass exhibition of paratroop jumping a few days before D-Day. The confidence of the Invasion Boss in the eventual outcome of the assault on the west wall is indicated by his calm attitude.

—Signal Corps Photo.

\$5 and \$10 Pay Increases Up for Infantry Badge Wearers

WASHINGTON—Looks like a pay increase for part of the infantry of \$5 and \$10 per month.

Secretary of War Stimson has urged Congress to provide additional pay of \$5 per month to doughboys holding the expert infantryman's badge and \$10 per month to those wearing the combat infantryman badge.

Bills have been introduced in the House and Senate to provide for the additional pay and are expected to become law without delay. The bills

are retroactive to January 1, 1944, and provide:

That during the present war and for six months thereafter, any enlisted man of the Army assigned to the infantry who is entitled, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of War, to wear the expert infantryman badge or the combat infantryman badge shall be paid additional compensation at the rate of \$5 per month when he is entitled to wear the expert infantryman badge and at the rate of \$10 per month when he is entitled to wear the combat infantryman badge: Provided, that additional compensation for both awards may not be paid at the same time.

In letters to Congress urging passage of the bills, Secretary Stimson pointed out that the infantry suffers the most casualties—"in every combat theater are far out of proportion to their numbers." He gave the following figures:

In the North African theater, including Italy, the infantry repre-

sented only 19.8 per cent of the total strength, but suffered 70 per cent of the casualties. In the Southwest Pacific, 15 per cent of the strength, 26 per cent of the casualties; in the South Pacific, one-third of the strength and one-half of the casualties, and in the four theaters, less than one-fourth of the strength and approximately one-half of the casualties.

He pointed out that infantry pay rates are below the average for all arms, and notably below the rates paid to certain non-combatant arms. He said: "The proposed legislation will be a vital contribution to the maintenance of a high state of morale, discipline and individual initiative" but commented that "the proposed pay increases are not intended as money compensation for the hazards and hardships involved—such things cannot be paid in money."

Chennault May Be Leading Allied Ace

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Maj. Gen. Chennault, who declines to release victory totals of his Flying Tigers in China, may be the leading allied ace himself with a record of 20 or 30 planes in one month, says Col. Robert L. Scott, a member of the group.

"Under Chennault's leadership the American volunteer group downed 394 Jap planes and shot we don't know how many into the gulf," Scott told a Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

Glider Units May Get Bigger, Better Paydays

WASHINGTON—Senator Reynolds, chairman of the Senate Military Affairs Committee, Thursday introduced a bill giving glider units in the Army and Navy the same pay allowances and privileges now given to the Air Force and paratroops.

WASHINGTON—"We have a foothold in France. We have pierced the coastal defenses and landed troops successfully upon the German-controlled territory of the continent. We are continuing to land troops, equipment and supplies. We have shown our domination of the sea and of the air in the battle zone," Secretary Stimson stated Thursday.

"All this is a great accomplishment. We have gone in against the enemy on the soil which he had stolen. We have come to grips at the beginning of the final test. At the end there can be but one decision," he continued.

"But before discussing this matter any further, it should be emphasized that only the first hurdle has been taken. It would be bad indeed if we permitted super-optimism to run away with us. German troops are established in northern France in great numbers. Their air force has certainly not yet been driven from the skies. Their military command has plans of action which are undoubtedly beginning to move. We must look for the full fury of savage counterattacks in force at an early moment.

Hard Days Ahead

"There will be hard days ahead. Let us not make them worse because of a previous, cheerful distortion of the facts.

"As the reports from London have indicated, American, British and Canadian troops have landed successfully at various points on the Normandy coast from a point near the mouth of the Seine to the Cotentin Peninsula where Cherbourg is a good port. Substantial beachheads have been established. Airborne troops further inland have cut German communications and destroyed supply dumps and taken centers from which to aid the men landing on the beaches. Bayeux has fallen to our troops, and Allied sea-borne and airborne forces have made contact.

"The attack began around 5 a.m. (See "LOSSES" Page 6)

General Punished For Loose Tongue

WASHINGTON—More than two months ago, at a cocktail party in London, Henry J. F. Miller, then a temporary major general, was reported to have told a social gathering:

"On my honor the invasion will take place before June 13."

The loose talk brought about Miller's demotion to his permanent rank of lieutenant colonel and his return to this country. Miller is now a patient at the Air Forces Hospital at Coral Gables, Fla., "suffering from serious physical ailments."

Miller was head of the Air Service Command in Washington in March, 1942, and since October, 1943, had been commander of the Ninth Air Force Service Command in Britain.

House Committee Votes 49 Billions for Army

WASHINGTON—\$49,109,002,795 was recommended by the House Appropriations Committee this week to finance the Army for the year beginning July 1.

While not a record for the War Department the new fund is larger by \$8,500,000,000 than that for the current fiscal year. It includes a carry over of \$33,672,971,000 from the \$74,211,249,961 voted for Army expenditures a year ago. It brings to a total of \$390,000,000,000 the total amount voted by Congress for the war since July 1, 1940.

The amount recommended by the Committee was \$241,837,905 below budget estimates. The largest single allotment was \$12,610,200,000 for the

Air Forces. Of the total amount approximately \$5,000,000,000 was earmarked by the Committee for transfer of defense articles under the lend-lease program and for aid to civilians in recaptured areas previous to the time the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration takes over. In detail, \$4,335,269,629 was allotted for lend-lease items and \$562,556,900 for civilian aid.

The committee recommended \$6,391,250 to finance activities of the WASPS, but the House Civil Service Committee recently recommended that further expansion of the WASP training program be halted by reason of excessive cost, estimated at from \$50,000,000 to \$100,000,000.

The Appropriations Committee wrote into the War Department bill a prohibition against use of any of the funds for the training of new students in medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine unless they were being trained by the Army as of today.

Copies of Army Times are made available to all Army hospitals through the American Red Cross.

Pabst Prize-Winners Agree

War Can Bring Higher Standards

WASHINGTON—Of the 17 prize-winners in the Pabst Brewing Company's recent Postwar Employment Plan contest, the author of one \$1,000-award essay proposed a system which would take into account the sacrifices servicemen are now making and reward them, insofar as is economically possible.

Maj. Lyle M. Spenser, now in Italy, talked with 116 GI's there about their postwar ambitions and compounded his suggestions from their ideas. His plan might well be considered the serviceman's plan and is already more or less embodied in the GI Bill of Rights.

Speaking for GI Joe

Soldiers believe that America will need many of the small businessmen which the war drove into other fields of work. They think, too, that they are the men for the job.

But, Major Spenser points out, they need training in the principles of business and they need capital to start out with. He suggests that the War and Navy Departments supply educational and vocational courses to troops from now until demobilization. He would also like to see GI's provided with information about opportunities and with a chance to finish interrupted schooling.

He believes that loans up to \$10,000 to responsible persons as initial capital for small businesses would create more real wealth than the same amount invested, by the Government, in public works.

First-prize winner Herbert Stein's plan is contrastingly written from the point of view of the professional economist. It should be—he is Chief of the Economic Analysis Section of the War Production Board.

Mr. Stein's \$25,000 plan calls for keeping up employment and production at the wartime level. Government contracts for material must be cancelled so that workers can screw the last nut on an airplane today and return tomorrow to start work on refrigerators.

To keep this transition smooth, he would dispose of government-owned plants as quickly as possible, retain the wartime level of taxation and continue price control for one year.

Tax Reform

To prevent depressions and booms, Mr. Stein wants tax reforms, mostly those which will free big business from its disinclination to take risks; strict anti-monopoly legislation; stabilization of prices at one level; support of international short-term balances of payments; and a hands-off-the-markets policy for the government.

Welcomes Returning GI's

Leon H. Keyserling, National Housing Agency General Counsel, believes American economy will benefit by the return of the ten million men and women now in the armed forces. Winner of Pabst's \$10,000 award, he thinks Congress should establish an American Economic Committee to define an American Economic Policy

which would ultimately result in the attainment of an American Economic Goal—full employment and the maximum standard of living for everyone.

This can best be done by business, but Government should step in to provide business with policy, tax, research and fiscal incentives. If this program does not put America on its feet, then Government itself must assume economic responsibility.

Above all, emphasizes Mr. Keyserling, we must plan now—to make our postwar world worth living in.

In general, the plans of the fourteen \$1,000 prize winners, other than Major Spenser, follow the line of thought that full production must be had to give full employment. Full peacetime production must be obtained through a smooth transition from the current full wartime production.

Private enterprise is favored, but most of the writers do not believe that private enterprise is self-regulating. They therefore suggest various systems of Government checks and controls.



"THE INVASION IS ON" they told President Roosevelt at the White House. Now Admiral Ernest J. King (left), Gen. George G. Marshall and Gen. H. H. Arnold speed back to their offices to check the latest news on D-Day. —Acme Photo

GI Plays May Win Contest, Chance at Bright Lights

WASHINGTON—Recognizing that many of America's most promising playwrights are currently members of the armed forces, the National Theater Conference recently announced a second playwrighting contest—open to any of Uncle Sam's servicemen or women.

Prizes totalling \$1,500 and the chance of being recommended for a post-war scholarship or fellowship are the awards.

To equalize things between authors hard-pressed in foxholes and those still stationed in the U. S., one set of prizes, totalling \$1,000, will go to contestants in the overseas area; another set, amounting to \$500, to contestants in the States.

GI writers may follow their own inclinations as to play form. Classes of competition cover long plays, with prizes ranging from \$50 to \$100; one-act plays, with \$25 and \$50 prizes; skits and blackouts, worth \$10; musical comedies with prizes of \$50 and \$100; radio plays (28 minutes) worth \$25 to \$100, and radio spots, to be awarded \$10 and \$25 prizes.

The National Theater Conference prefers plays and playlets about life in the service, but will consider plays on any theme. Entries must be original, unpublished and not winners of any previous contests. The Confer-

ence retains control of amateur civilian production rights and stipulates that soldier-sailor productions must be royalty free. All other rights are held by the author.

The contest, which opened on May 1, 1944, will close December 1, 1944. Prize winners in both divisions will be announced on or before March 1, 1945.

Manuscripts, or requests for further information, should be addressed to: Contest Headquarters, Second Playwriting Contest, National Theater Conference, Western Reserve University, Cleveland 6, Ohio.

Dutch, French WAC Trainees

WASHINGTON—Women's Army members from two countries now occupied by the Nazis are currently training with units of American WACs in preparation for liaison work between the free armies of their countries and other Allied forces.

At Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., Netherlands women, distinguished by a Netherlands Orange Lion shoulder patch and special buttons on their off-color WAC uniforms, will become the nucleus of a new Dutch Vrouwe Corps; while at Ft. Meade, Md., a number of French women have joined their male compatriots for training. Like the men of the French unit at Meade, the women will wear entirely GI. They will share the housing, mess, and recreational facilities provided for the WAC Detachment of the 1322 Service Unit.

After finishing their training, the Vrouwen will be sent to serve with the Netherlands Indies Army in Australia. The Frenchwomen will be trained under a program planned by the French to make available personnel for liaison work in Allied theatres of operation. They will all the nucleus of a new Dutch Vrouwe phers, chauffeurs, interpreters, and clerks to relieve physically able men for combat duties.

Graduates Final Class

CAMP DAVIS, N. C.—Climaxing two years of great activity, the officer candidate division of the Anti-aircraft Artillery School has closed its doors with the graduation of Class 100. The last man to receive his commission was Lt. Joseph R. Zutell, the distinction falling to him by virtue of his name appearing at the end of the alphabet of his graduating class.

Demand To Fire Vets May Bring Law Tests

DETROIT—Five war veterans who were members of the United Automobile Workers (CIO) before enlisting and have resumed their jobs with the General Motors Corporation, but have failed to maintain their union memberships, are expected to become the "guinea pigs" in test cases as to the relationship of organized labor and servicemen during the reconversion period and after the war.

Wet or Dry, Men in SWPA Want Movies

CAMP CROWDER, Mo. — The rumbles in the distance might have been thunder accompanying the rain which soaked the GI's watching Grade B movie heroes embrace Grade B cinema queens. But it wasn't; it was the big guns a few miles distant roaring at the Japs. Sometimes a flash from the field pieces momentarily obscured the picture.

The rain didn't bother the spectators; they had hiked two or three miles through it or ridden a dozen miles over bumpy roads to get to the movie. They were really enjoying it now—not worried by the fact that not long before a Jap bomb had landed nearby, killing three men in the theatre while several others had been trampled by the crowd scurrying for cover.

Dry because his projection machine dated a shelter, Pvt. Bernard Glasford, now here in Co. D, 800th Sign. Tng. Regt., ran the film from the back of a truck. He had helped build the theatre, and though it had log walls and a roof of thatched leaves, the natives who built it had succeeded in getting some of the cinema grandeur effects found in movie palaces back home.

As his last reel clicked through the projector, Private Glasford reflected that American ways—with sports and movies as characteristic outgrowths—are changing even the architecture of the South Pacific lands. Thatched roofs are cool and rainproof, though, that even movie palaces cut out of the jungle must remain hybrids—offshoots of modernity in ancient lands.

Britisher Cool Under Jerry's Heavy Shells

WASHINGTON—Pfc. Edward Serventi, an Armored Infantryman just returned to the United States under the Army's rotation plan, may forget some of his experiences on the Anzio beachhead, but he says he'll never forget the magnificent plumb of a certain British captain.

"This British captain and I," said Serventi, "were standing together when three Jerry shells hit, one after another, a few feet from us.

"Both of us were knocked out. We came to at the same time. The captain winked at me, then started to draw on his pipe. But the pipe was out.

"The impudent blighters," he said, "they've put out my pipe."

relationship of organized labor and servicemen during the reconversion period and after the war.

The controversial situation came up when the UAW asked General Motors to discharge the five veterans, but General Motors believes the Union has asked it to violate the re-employment provisions of the Selective Service and Training Act and has announced it will resist the demand unless ordered to do so by the War Labor Board.

Under the Selective Service Act, employers are required to give war veterans their old jobs or the equivalent back, and are forbidden to discharge them, except for cause, for a period of one year.

The UAW demand immediately raised the question: Is failure to maintain union membership due "cause" under the draft law?

The Selective Service system has ruled that labor agreements cannot operate in conflict with the draft law, but draft officials admit that the question probably will have to be adjudicated in the courts.

ABCDEFGH—I— But No Co. J!

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, Italy—Infantrymen on the Allied Fifth Army's Anzio beachhead in Italy brought up an old favorite among military mysteries: Why don't armies have J companies?

Men of the 3rd "Marne" Division worked out several new and old theories.

2nd Lt. Charles E. Gibbons said he thinks it goes back to the days when Hannibal fought in the vicinity of the Anzio beachhead and one of his J companies were wiped out.

Others said that a J company deserted en masse during the Civil War and the army decided there would be no more of them.

The most popular guess about the reason for no J companies was advanced by Sgt. Edward H. Carpenter.

Field orders, Sergeant Carpenter said, were written in longhand in the British army in the 17th and 18th centuries, when the letters I and J were interchangeable; so to avoid confusion, this school of thought holds, J companies were ruled out.

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Some Even Want Politics

Air Veterans Dream of New York

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—Go back to their old jobs after the war? Not for a lot of the boys who made up the crews of the planes which blasted Hitler and Tojo in Berlin, Tunisia, Guadalcanal and all the other corners of the globe.

School, politics and work in entirely new fields, as well as the old job, are included in the post-war plans of the veteran Air Force en-

listed men queried at the AAF Redistribution Station in Atlantic City.

S/Sergt. Donald Bybee, who was a top turret gunner on a B-25 in New Guinea, was once a filling station attendant, but now he's air-minded. He wants to do something that'll keep him around airplanes.

So does Sergt. Nicholas Pokoluk, newly returned from the Caribbean. "If civilians take to flying, I'd like

to be an aircraft mechanic the same as I am now."

Politically minded is S/Sergt. J. J. Jones. "I run for whatever job pays the most."

School beckons T/Sergt. Keith Gladfelter, who was a radio-gunner on a B-25 over Italy. He entered the Army from high school and would like to continue through college, but "I have no definite plans."

S/Sergt. Francis Glatz, B-17 turret gunner who saw action in Africa and Italy, was a defense worker before the war, but he knows "darn well I can't go back to that. But I am sure of a job in a camera supply store."

S/Sergt. Armand Bonneau, a B-24 armorer-gunner just back from Italy, and S/Sergt. Seth Ripley, waist gunner on a B-17 in England, have hopes of getting civil service position. "But I want a good job that won't change with politics," adds Ripley.

Promised Old Job

Conservatives also are Sergt. James A. Grosso and S/Sergt. Thomas Reilly, radio gunner back from the Mediterranean theater. Grosso was a construction superintendent as a civilian and did airfield construction in England. He's sure he'll get a job, "as long as there's work." Reilly "absolutely" is going back to his old job. "I saw my old boss just three weeks ago and he said my job as a motion picture mechanic and operator would be waiting for me."

Perhaps the happiest post-war plans are those of S/Sergt. Robert Gerhardt, who was an armorer-gunner on a B-25 in New Guinea.

"First thing I'll do is finish the boat I was building before the war started and go on a long cruise along the Atlantic Coast. When I come back I may try my hand at mechanics. I know I won't go back to land-scaping."

Braille Pamphlets For Blind Danish Patriots

WASHINGTON—The circulation of Danish underground newspapers and pamphlets is being extended to blind Danish patriots, the Swedish paper Handelsöch Sjöfartstidning reported recently says OWI. Not long ago, the Gothenburg paper said, members of the underground "invaded a Copenhagen printing establishment for the blind and occupied it for several hours, forcing the staff to print considerable material in Braille."

Hot-Dogs Are Flier's Dish at Home-Coming

GENESEO, N. Y.—"Absence makes the stomach grow fonder!"

Sgt. Arthur Hasler, air crew chief, came home from the Italian battle-front by special permission through the President to join in the celebration of his dad's one hundredth birthday anniversary. And because the sergeant hadn't one in over two years, hot dogs were the principal item on the menu, in accordance with the flier's request.

Jugoslavs Adopt, Valet Sgt. Robinson and Staff

WASHINGTON—Sgt. Don Robinson and the rest of the 45th Division News staff have won a reputation as the Army's champion scoundgers. Though their paper has come from presses in shelled and smouldering buildings the 45th reporters themselves have always made out all right.

In a "Report to the Editors" in the May 27th issue of the Saturday Evening Post, Demaree Bess tells of Robinson's super achievements in Palermo.

"I happened to run into Sergeant Robinson in Palermo," recounts Mr. Bess.

"Well how are things going with

you?" I asked.

"Swell," he assured me. "We're living in the lap of luxury."

Though the 45th's ability to shift for itself didn't surprise Mr. Bess, the sergeant's offer of a valet, who was "good at making speeches" did. Then he recalled a group of speech-making Jugoslavs who had recently been freed from a concentration camp nearby.

"Do you mean to tell me those Jugoslavs are now serving as valets?" he asked.

"The editor of the 45th Division News replied, 'We just ran into the poor devils one night in the black-out, and took them home with us, because there's plenty of room in the billets we got for ourselves here. We told them they could stay with us. And the next morning they announced they had resolved to adopt thing, but they just took over. Now they won't let us do anything for ourselves any more. They've organized themselves into squads—a kitchen squad, a cleaning squad, and so on. They watch us like hawks, to make sure we don't do anything they could do for us. It's ridiculous. But hell, the guys are happy.'"

RAFmen Wear Many-pocket Flying Suit

WASHINGTON—The pilot of an RAF bomber had his imagination stimulated by the fact that, on one raid over the jungle, he almost did not get back. He realized that if he had been forced to bail out he could not have kept alive in the jungle.

For the next six months he devoted himself to designing a flying suit that would carry the means of life for a long stay in the jungle. The suit is really a vehicle for a series of pockets, as British Information Services describes it.

The two breast pockets carry cans of food concentrate; under the armpits are pockets for medical supplies; pockets all the way down the front and back carry compasses, maps, cigarettes, a torch, waterproof matches, water sterilizers, thorn-resisting leather elbow gloves; there are places for commando knives, a short bayonet; on the belt is a Gurka kukri. On the flier's back is a collapsible pack containing a haversack, into which all the kit from the pockets can be transferred.

These suits have already been issued to a number of RAF crews on the Burma front.

Bill Would Draft Single, Jobless Women from 20-35

WASHINGTON—A bill to draft the nation's estimated 590,000 unmarried, unemployed women between 20 and 35 was introduced recently by Representative Emanuel Celler (D. New York).

This bill would amend the Selective Service Act, and would draft women to fill out the ranks of women's services—primarily the WAC which is 128,000 short of its top.

"If no argument or plea of our Secretary of War, or the commanding officers in and out of combat areas can convince the women of America of such need, then let the law do so," said Representative Celler, contending that unmarried women could replace men in service and clerical work without upsetting the economy of the nation, without withdrawing manpower from essential jobs, and without destroying the family unit.

IN A SAFETY training film for airmen named "Learn and Live," the locale is "Pilot's Heaven," which is the place where pilots go who insist on learning the hard way.



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A Football Play Worked!

The Allied Armies took a page out of football plays. Quarterback Ike spotted a weak spot in the vaunted Nazi's front line. He called for a quick opening play, threw his heavy forces into the hole and let paratroopers take out the secondary.

The initial landing was a dandy. The Allies hit 'em where they weren't looking and today the big show is on.

But it's a helluva long way from over. The Axis leaders aren't dummies and already they are moving their first string into play. There's a long tough row to hoe before the final whistle blows.

The use of paratroopers in the initial blow made all other paratroop movements look like, just what they were, practice affairs. The paratroopers cut communication lines, blew up supply dumps and generally made the Nazis wish they had never heard of plane-carried infantrymen.

The first objective is the Normandy peninsula. Cherbourg is a good port—one the Allies can use. Already the Allied forces are moving from Caen in that direction.

It is all second-guessing, and military men aren't talking, but the following move will probably be inland, or, very likely, a blow at some other point.

It makes life very miserable for the German commanders. They must decide whether to move in on the Normandy peninsula and take a chance on being mauled or attempt to hold some other points further inland. The Luftwaffe, which has been noticeable by its absence thus far, must decide where and when to strike its blows. The German Air Arm faces the greatest air fleet in history when it does decide to come out and fight for the Fatherland.

Secretary Stimson has warned against over-optimism. He has pointed out that although the battle is progressing surprisingly well and the casualties have been unexpectedly light the battle hasn't begun.

It's a tough, bitter fight with all the chips in the pot. The Navy has completed the bulk of its job, the Air Arm has a big supporting job to do—but when the battle is won you can score it to the credit of the Infantrymen.

'I Wish I Were Brave Enough'

The Queen has her day. Next Thursday, June 15, the "Queen of Battles", the Infantry, will be honored. It's a richly deserved honor. Throughout the world the Infantryman is doing a great job.

A Navy Lieutenant writing to his friend, S/Sgt. Wm. Hale, Jr., Camp Shelby, Miss., has expressed the opinion held by all the armed forces regarding the foot-soldier. Writing from aboard ship, "Somewhere in the South Pacific", Lt. (j.g.) Jesse Clore stated:

"The glories of war are chiefly heaped in the laps of the air men and the big fighting ships, but the boys who deserve the prayers and decorations and heartfelt thanks of us all are the men who lug the rifle, machine gun and flame thrower—the shock infantry troops, "Knights of the Queen of Battles"—who live in the very maw of Hell and taste the most bitter vetch of all—the grim spectre of fear.

"I've been thankful for them and grateful to them ever since I first saw what they had to do. And, believe me, the Marines and soldiers out here are doing it well.

"This tirade is delivered because I get a little tired of seeing the world neglect that most important branch of the service, with the writers taxing themselves in fascination of the 400-mile-an-hour fighters and the other super-mechanized and high-powered branches of the service.

"All are important and necessary but the relatively few—and you'd be surprised how few—with an eye on total numbers of the forces, who meet the full brunt of the assorted engines of destruction should head the victory parades and receive the prize benefits of victory when that day comes. God bless the assault infantry.

"Forgive the speech, but I just want everyone I know, at least, to realize what a terrific job these boys are doing in the Pacific. Since our first offensive in the Solomons, they've never failed in their objective, and never had to retreat, with the Japanese losing 20 or more to every one of them.

"I sometimes wish I were brave enough or capable enough to be one of them."

Planes Get Rid of Off-Color Names

A UNITED STATES BOMBER BASE IN BRITAIN.—Off-color names and pictures on the fuselages of American bombing planes are being removed, thus depriving the Nazis of a strong propaganda weapon.

When the Flying Fortress "Murder, Inc." was shot up and crewmen parachuted into the hands of Germans, the fliers were photographed in their leather jackets bearing their bomber's name and the pictures were widely distributed as evidence of American gangsterism. Then followed preachments in both Britain and the United States against bombings of German cities.

The clean-up order resulted, with names and illustrations now being under "censorship" of the Public Relations officers. Some of the names which have recently been approved

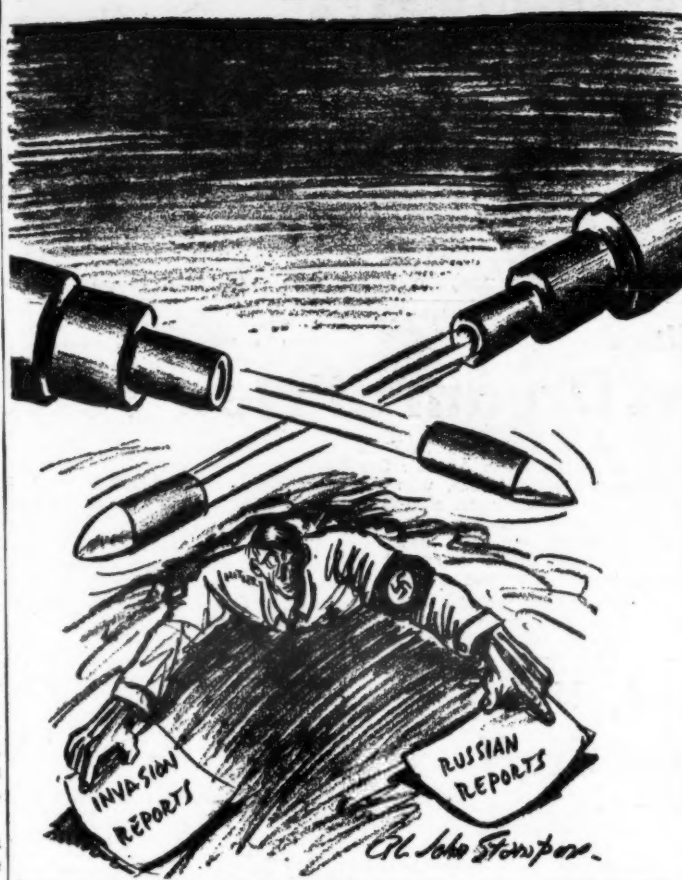
are "Dear Mom," "Pride of the Yankees," "Pride of Brooklyn," "Win the Pooh," and "Mr. Smith" (so called for all the Smiths in America).

Incidentally, one pilot called his plane Pat Pending. He was soon to become a father. The child was to be Patrick if a boy and Patricia if a girl. "Pat Pending" covered the situation neatly.

Now Warrant Officers

WASHINGTON.—Seven members of the Women's Army Corps have been made warrant officers (j.g.), the first women warrant officers in the Army. Among those receiving the new grade is Miss Nana Morrison Rae, who is secretary to General Eisenhower in London.

Crossfire



At Your Service

Q. Where may I obtain a complete copy of the GI Bill of Rights?

A. We're mailing you a copy today. However, the bill is still in conference to iron out differences between the Senate and House versions. As soon as it is reported out of conference and agreed upon we will send you the revised and complete bill.

Q. I expect to be given a medical discharge soon. Can you tell me what pension I will receive with twenty (20) years service and six months. All my service has been in the United States. I have been a T/4 since February 1, 1942.

A. If you have had more than 20 years active military service you should apply for retirement because of disability rather than accept a CDD, or medical discharge. Under present law, enlisted men of the Army may be retired on three-fourths pay providing they have had more than 20 years service and because of physical disability are unfit for further military duty.

Should retirement be denied, or should you be given a discharge, then you should prepare a claim for presentation to the Veterans Administration. At the time of discharge you will be given an opportunity to complete such claim and it will be forwarded through channels to the Veterans Administration and given prompt attention.

Q. I am thinking of converting my National Service Life Insurance. Can you tell me the difference in cost for the various types? Will the rates be lower after the war?

A. We are sending you (and all who write for copy) a booklet describing the various types of National Service Life Insurance and giving the premium rates of various ages. The premium rates will not decrease after the war.

Q. I received an eye injury in Casablanca, was sent to a Navy hospital and then given a medical discharge. My pay accounts were lost or misplaced, so I have never received my back pay. Also I would like to go to school to learn a trade. Can you advise me?

A. Application for pay due should be made to the Chief, Claims Division, General Accounting Office, Washington, D. C. The enclosed form may be used. Give complete Navy record and data about paydays you missed and any other money you believe you have coming. If you have not made application to the Veterans Administration for pension, apply to the nearest office, address inclosed. You can also apply for vocational training, but that will not be decided until your claim for pension has been completed and passed on by the Veterans Administration.

Q. In case my husband (officer) should be killed while serving in the U. S., what am I supposed to do first? To whom should I apply? What proof must I show?

A. In the event a man in active military or naval service is killed or dies while on active duty, the Veterans Administration will be notified promptly by the War or Navy Department and the Veterans Administration will then advise the beneficiary of his insurance as to what information is needed to complete the claim and secure payment of such insurance. The Veterans Administration will also furnish the

widow, child or children, or dependent parent with proper form for claiming pension and with such form, a complete set of instructions is forwarded.

Q. If a person is disabled while on active duty, would he be under government care? I mean, would he be at home or in a hospital?

A. In the event an officer or enlisted man is permanently disabled in line of duty while in active service, he will, after discharge, be eligible for such medical attention as may be needed through the Veterans Administration. This does not mean that he would have to stay in a Veterans Administration hospital. Under some conditions officers may be entitled to retirement because of permanent disability.

Q. If a soldier is dishonorably discharged is he allowed to receive a pension or any benefits?

A. A person who is dishonorably discharged is not entitled to receive a pension for disability or any other benefits usually extended to persons who are honorably discharged.

Q. My sister's ex-husband is in the Merchant Marine. Does the government allow any benefits to her and her child? If so, please send the address.

A. Members of the Merchant Marine are not in the active military or naval service and upon release are not accorded benefits as are war veterans. However, members of the Merchant Marine, while in such service, are protected by insurance, and under some instances, may be entitled to compensation because of disability incurred in such service. The agency having charge of service in the Merchant Marine is the Maritime Commission, 45 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

Violin Helps Get Malaria Lecture Over to Audience

CAMP CROWDER, MO.—Lt. Donald Haley is probably the only officer in the Army who lectures with violin obligato. During his recent talk to Co. X on malaria control, given at, of all places, the recreation hall, a violin playing softly somewhere behind the drapes provided musical background.

As they listened to the music, the men could practically see the GI under his mosquito bar deftly dodging a "wolf" anopheles—the kind that gets at you between the holes in the net.

They could actually hear the mosquito buzz (way up on the E string). And as the men left the hall, the quick, nervous strains of Brahms' Hungarian Dance No. 5 were heard. The GI had been bit, no doubt.

Given Typhus Awards

WASHINGTON.—First awards of the recently authorized United States of America Typhus Commission medals have been made to Capt. Charles S. Stephenson, U. S. Navy, the Commission's first director; Dr. Rolla E. Dyer, assistant Surgeon General of the U. S. Public Health Service, and Brig. Gen. James S. Simmons in the Office of the Secretary of War.

Letters

Gentlemen:

I wish I had the time to write each member of the Congressional committee who voted against a permanent promotion for General Patton and ask him why he didn't attempt to weigh the General's brilliant record against the couple of unfortunate errors he made. As it is, they made a terrible mistake.

I regret that I never had the opportunity of serving under General Patton. However, when I was in SWPA, the stories of his leadership served as an inspiration to all. For my part, and this goes for a lot of fellows I know, General Patton can start wearing four stars any day.

Admittedly, he is no diplomat. But he is a real, honest-to-goodness good soldier. General Eisenhower thinks he's OK; his men believe in him and trust his judgment. But a bunch of our esteemed Congressional committeemen sitting on their fat tails decided he should be taught a lesson.

Yes, General Patton, in the GI's opinion, and in Army terms, you "supersede all others." Keep it up. You are truly a good soldier.

S/Sgt. Eugene D. Morris

Hq. & Hq. Det.

2nd Tng. Regt. ASFTC

Ft. Francis E. Warren, Wyo.

Gentlemen:

It is quite all right, there is nothing wrong with it. I mean the men of military age who are classified as 4-F's and those deferred—permit them to earn from fifty to two hundred or more dollars per week; allow them to purchase a home, marry, and sink their exorbitant wages in war bonds and bank savings; let them prepare for their future security. They are doing a great job, worthy of all that. They have won their war, the war of production.

However, instantly, or even before men in uniform win the war; when, or even before, we disarm the Germans and Japs and their satellites, give these non-members of the armed forces of military age a little training—not too rigorous for the 4-F's—clothe them in a uniform—not necessarily the ones we now wear—and send them over for police duty of the conquered countries, simultaneously returning and demobilizing us. Police duty won't of a necessity require 1-A men. Do the foregoing and give us the advantages and opportunities they now enjoy.

T/S Joseph Kolodney

161st AB Engr. Bn.

Camp Mackall, N. C.

Gentlemen:

What is it with this guy Ham Fisher and his jerky character, Joe Palooka (the boy with the heart of gold and the IQ of an army reject)?

Does Ham feel that because he is so fond of his brain-child that he can have him violate the most outstanding army regulation—namely, the matter of having a GI haircut, or at least having his hair out of his eyes? Not even Joe Palooka, or Joe Louis, or Gene Tunney or anybody who is anything can override this basic army precept, so why does Fisher feel that his character can have certain privileges that other dogfaces can't?

This all may sound somewhat silly, but if you ask the OWI whether a cartoon has any propaganda value you should receive a surprising answer—definitely in the affirmative.

Pvt. Steve Clinton.

Gentlemen:

We were much interested in an article in your April 8 issue about the no-AWOL record of the 50th MP Escort Guard Company of Camp Gordon, Ga. That is a good record and I am sure that particular Company is justly proud of it.

My company can go it one better, though. We have not had an AWOL in our Company since August 1942. That makes a record of 21 months, almost two whole years. We have been overseas most of that time and in combat quite a bit, having been in both North Africa and Sicily. The men had had no furloughs or leaves at all, until recently when we were allowed to give furloughs and overnite passes.

Capt. James F. Majors

AGO 9, New York City

Gentlemen:

Why were we forgotten when the raises were handed out?

Our job is just as difficult and precarious as the Infantry's. Yet why are our platoon sergeants just staff sergeants; section leaders, back sergeants; and squad leaders, corporals?

Why in spite of the continued good work of the Cavalry are we forgotten?

Cpl. N. M. Greenblatt

Cpl. C. F. Oldenburg

103 Cav. Recon. Troop

AGO 420, Camp Howze, Tex.

GERMAN and Quisling authorities in Norway executed 30 patriots in May for their continued resistance to the Nazi forced-labor program.

Anzio Opened the Road to Rome

WASHINGTON—There's nothing that gladdens the heart of a tired GI at the end of a long march more than to find a good, deep foxhole already dug for him.

"It happened to me one day at Anzio," recalls Corpl. Richard B. McMahon, now at home on furlough. "That foxhole saw a lot of service. The house near it which we used for observation was shelled regularly and as soon as the first burst would land we'd all dive for our holes and wait out the barrage."

"We never did find out who fixed things up for us, but the holes weren't booby-trapped or mined," concluded the Third Infantry doughboy.

Though not an expert on the subject, Corporal McMahon says German foxholes are so much like the Yanks' that no one can tell the difference—except by the empty ration cans left in the bottom. Life at the beachhead is just one big escape from death after another anyway, he said.

"It's a different war at Anzio from what we saw in Sicily and the early part of the Italian campaign," agreed T/Sgt. Robert L. Cartwright, a 45th Division doughboy also back on rotation furlough.

"Before we invaded at Anzio, we usually kept moving forward with not too much opposition, usually getting as much competition from the weather and mountains as we did from the enemy."

"But at Anzio we've been dug in on the beachhead, as flat as a table, keeping as completely out of sight as much as possible during daylight hours and moving only at night. During daylight both sides were well pinned down by artillery."

"At Anzio everyone was in the danger zone. The cooks, clerks and other personnel who are considered safe in most places were on the alert all the time there."

That's about the way another 45th Infantryman, Pfc. William L. Mayberry, now on furlough at his home in Oklahoma City, felt about it. He summed it up: "It was tough at Salerno, it was tough at Cassino,

and it was toughest of all on the Anzio beachhead."

"At Salerno," said Mayberry, who was in a wire communications section of an Infantry outfit, "we crawled on our stomachs and laid

wire under shelling and machine-gun fire."

"We fought our way from Venafro to Cassino through the mountains, the mud, the ice, the snow and the rain."

"But on the Anzio beachhead we really learned what war is like. We'd lay the wire in one place, move on, they'd blow it to pieces behind us, and we'd go back and do it all over again."

Not at Anzio, but at Venafro, Japanese-Americans from Hawaii proved that they have a right to rank with America's best fighting men.

According to Sgt. Clarence E. Jones, twice wounded Sloux City (Iowa) Infantryman, the American-born Japanese troops were cool, courageous fighters and earned the respect of the 34th Infantrymen beside whom they fought.

"My outfit crossed the river at night in support of a Japanese-American battalion," said Sergeant Jones, "At a crossroads we ran into heavy enemy machine-gun fire."

"A platoon of Japanese-American Infantry from Hawaii wiped out the Jerry machine-gun nests so we could go through."

Jerries Use Rocks To Get This Private Down

WASHINGTON—Pvt. Vito R. Bracciola isn't sure whether the Germans really ran out of ammunition and were using rocks, or whether it just happened that way. Anyway, it was a rock which hit him.

A member of the 36th Infantry, Private Bracciola was at the base of a hill near Cassino that the Jerries were shelling. A shell hit the hill and loosened a big rock which rolled down the hill and injured his leg.

His luckiest experience came, he says, a few minutes after he landed at Salerno. Eight enemy tanks passed within five feet of him while he was moving along a road. "We got behind a three-foot stone wall that ran along the road and the tankers never did see us."

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All America Prayed For Sons on D-Day

This is the invasion prayer which President Roosevelt wrote while Allied troops were landing on the coast of France:

My Fellow Americans: In this significant hour, I ask you to join me in prayer:

Almighty God: Our sons, pride of our Nation, this day have set upon a mighty endeavor, a struggle to preserve our republic, our religion, and our civilization, and to set free suffering humanity.

Lead them straight and true; give strength to their arms, stoutness to their hearts, steadfastness to their faith.

They will need Thy blessings. Their road will be long and hard. The enemy is strong. He may hurl back our forces. Success may not come with rushing speed, but we will return again and again; and we know that by Thy grace, and by the righteousness of our cause, our sons will triumph.

They will be sore tried, by night and by day, without rest—till the story is won. The darkness will be rent by noise and flame. Men's souls will be shaken with the violence of war.

These are men lately drawn from the ways of peace. They fight not for the lust of conquest. They fight to end conquest. They fight to liberate. They fight to let justice rule, and tolerance and goodwill reign among all Thy people. They earn but for the end of battle, for their return to the haven of home.

Some will never return. Embrace these, Father, and receive them, Thy devoted servants, into Thy kingdom.

And for us at home—fathers, mothers, children, wives, sisters and others of brave men overseas, whose thoughts and prayers are ever with them—help us, Almighty God, to dedicate ourselves in renewed faith in Thee in this hour of great sacrifice.

Many people have urged that I lead the Nation into a single day of special prayer. But because the road is long and the desire is great, I ask that our people devote themselves to continuance of prayer. As we pray to each new day, and again each day is spent, let words of prayer be on our lips, invoking Thy help to our efforts.

Give us strength, too—Strength in our daily tasks, to redouble the contributions we make in the physical and material support of our armed forces.

And let our hearts be stout, to wait out the long travail, to bear sorrows that may come, to impart our courage unto our sons, wheresoever they may be.

And, O Lord, give us faith. Give us faith in Thee; faith in our sons, faith in each other; faith in our united crusade. Let not the keenness of our spirit ever be dulled. Let not the impacts of temporary events, of temporal matters of but fleeting moment—let not these deter us in our unconquerable purpose.

With Thy blessing, we shall prevail over the unholy forces of our enemy. Help us to conquer the apostles of greed and racial arrogances. Lead us to the saving of our country, and with our sister nations into a world unity that will spell a sure peace—a peace invulnerable to the schemes of unworthy men. And a peace that will let all men live in freedom, reaping the just rewards of their honest toil.

Thy will be done, Almighty God. Amen.

Red Cross Arranges Furlough for Wife

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—The Red Cross often obtains emergency furloughs for soldiers who are needed at home for a few days. But recently the Red Cross at Camp Butner, N. C., was instrumental in reversing the process. A soldier had just had a furlough during which he and his wife had been unable to complete urgent financial negotiations.

He applied to the Red Cross here, who in turn contacted the local chapter in the soldier's home town. They placed the matter before his wife's employer. As a result she was given an additional two weeks' leave to see her husband and work out the necessary arrangements.

Front-Line GIs Go for Doughnuts

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, ITALY.—So close to the Fifth Army fighting front that he and his men work in a dugout, Red Cross worker Stanley Anderson and his crew have distributed more than 8,000 doughnuts to front-line units daily and have delivered more than a million in the last 14 months.


Working with Mr. Anderson is Pvt. George H. Boucher, 9409 Burnette, Detroit, Michigan, who has plied the doughnut trade for the past 10 months in Oran and Tunis. With other teammates, Pvt. Harvey E. Banks, 96 North Sierra Bonita Avenue, Pasadena, California, and Pvt. Henry J. Kazmierczak, 11 Chestnut Street, Chelsea, Massachusetts, turned out 106,000 doughnuts in five days just before Christmas.

Mr. Anderson is the only one in the unit with previous experience in


the doughnut business and considers himself the only doughnut technician with the Army. He was asked to come overseas by the American Red Cross to service the machines and set up production. Formerly he was a national representative of a doughnut machine company. He says that he finds "100 per cent acceptance of his product," which he explains is because he has "a good market."

Award for General Doran

FORT SILL, Okla., —Brig. Gen. Charles R. Doran has been cited by the War Department to receive the Legion of Merit in recognition of his services as commanding general of the 17th FA brigade from July 15, 1942, to February 15, 1943, during a portion of its tour as school troops for the Field Artillery School.



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Flow and Ebb of Nazi Tide Across Europe

WASHINGTON—With the world's interest centered on the assault of the west wall and the drive up the Italian boot it is often difficult to remember the phases of the flow and ebb of the Nazi tide across Europe.

Experts in the stab-in-the-back technique Hitler and his goose-stepping minions gobbled up Austria and Czechoslovakia, building an empire of 268,000 square miles. Not satisfied, they went east and west, north and south and conquered an empire of 1,850,000 square miles by October, 1942.

That winter the Nazi war machine went into reverse. Gradually Allied forces reoccupied Nazi territory until on May 1, 1944, the German empire had dwindled to 1,400,000 square miles. Since that day Rome has fallen, the west wall has been cracked and Red forces are reported to be massing for another thrust from the east.

The flow and ebb of the Nazi empire follows:

March, 1938—Nazis march into Austria and in the fall at Munich Hitler started to "capture" Czechoslovakia.

September 1, 1939—Poland struck from three sides. Two days later Britain and France declared war.

April 9, 1940—Blitzkrieg hit Norway.

May 10, 1940—Nazis turn west. Holland, Belgium and France quickly fall.

April, 1941—Hungary, Bulgaria, Rumania had been swallowed by the Nazi war machine.

June, 1941—Germans hit Russia. Grind to stop outside Moscow.

Winter, 1941-42—Red Army takes offensive. British advance in Libya, but are forced back.

Summer, 1942—Nazis invade the Caucasus. Rommel goes to bank of the Nile.

November 8, 1942—American troops land in Africa. By May Germans had lost. Russia goes on an offensive.

July 9, 1943—Sicily was attacked. On the 25th Mussolini was out. Italy was through.

June 3, 1944—Rome was captured.

June 6, 1944—Channel invasion began.

Losses Low in Taking Foothold in France

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London time, Tuesday, which means 11 p.m. our time, when the first paratroops dropped on Normandy fields to be followed by troops from gliders.

"This turned out to be the greatest airborne-troop operation ever attempted. Over 1,000 planes participated in carrying the troops. A little over two per cent of these planes were lost, due to enemy antiaircraft fire. There was no enemy opposition in the air in this initial operation.

"A little earlier on that same night, 1,000 British heavy bombers opened the attack on the beach defenses, pounding them with a great weight of bombs.

Opposition Small

"Meanwhile, the invasion fleet of some 4,000 ships in fairly rough weather was approaching the shore. Apparently tactical surprise was achieved. Enemy effort at opposition with surface craft was small. It consisted of a few torpedo boats and armed trawlers which were driven off. One enemy trawler was sunk and another severely damaged. During the day we suffered inevitable losses at sea which were unexpectedly low and will be included, in due course, in the public accounts of our operations.

"A little after 5 a.m. the guns of Allied warships opened on the enemy shore batteries and defense installations. Battleships, cruisers, and other types of warships participated. Great fires and smoke rose from the coast. Overhead, the Allied fleet had the protection of a tremendous cover of fighter planes.

"In this first phase of the operation, German planes were comparatively few, again supporting the inference that despite all the precautions and public speculation on the invasion the Germans were momentarily taken by surprise. This initial absence of German planes should, of course, also be attributed to the inroads made upon the Luftwaffe by the long continuing attack of American and British planes during the past year—an attack which was really the beginning of the invasion to liberate the continent.

"Troops from the ships were waiting to go ashore as a great force of American heavy bombers followed up the British night bombing with an early morning attack upon the enemy's beach defenses. As many as 1,400 bombers took part, and great sections of the German defenses crumpled under the combined destruction from the Allied planes and naval guns. Here again our losses in the air were light. Five bombers and five fighters were missing.

First Waves

"Approximately between 6:30 and 7:30 a.m., London time, the first waves of landing forces went ashore. Beach obstacles were overcome easily at some places and with great difficulty at others. Our men had to contend with enemy shelling and mortar fire and land mines. Against the enemy batteries our dive bombers were extremely useful.

"Throughout the day the Allied Air Forces were masters of the air situation. Once our men were advancing upon the beaches, American heavy bombers returned to attack the Admiralties. Over 900 Japanese

the enemy inshore from the coast. Altogether during that day, 11,000 first-line Allied planes participated.

"In the last day and a half, our beachheads have been widened and some of them united, and we have made varying progress inland. We have sustained some local counterattacks such as those at Caen, but the Germans are now gathering their strength and moving for their real counteraction. The landing of our forces on continental soil was but the first step, although it was a great accomplishment. The second step is to consolidate, repel the local counterattacks and again move forward. The mobile reserves of the enemy will undoubtedly be developed to major action against us. It would be folly to believe that the period of counterattack will be short.

Rome Liberated

"It was a happy augury for our landings in France that the city of Rome was liberated last Sunday by our Allied armies. The campaign which brought about the ousting of the Nazis from this ancient city was well conceived and executed. The right flank of the Germany Army was broken. The enemy could not hold his Velletri line south of Rome against the powerful drive of our combined forces from the beachhead and the left wing of our main line from the south. The seizure of the last of the Alban Hills below Rome forced the Germans to withdraw from the city after a last bitter tank battle on the plans at the very gates of the city.

"The ouster of the Germans from Rome does not provide even a breathing space in Allied military operations. Our troops are now pressing rapidly on to the north. Civitavecchia, a port 40 miles northwest of Rome, has been captured. Substantial gains are being made to the northeast. East of Rome the Germans are withdrawing. The danger for the enemy mounts. Communication lines east of Rome are not as good as the lines the enemy has lost in the Rome area. The enemy's flank is constantly being threatened. Since his air force has been so weakened that on several days he has not had a single plane over the battle area in the daylight hours, he is extremely vulnerable to air attacks. General Kesselring's army has been badly cut up and is betraying a lack of cohesion and control which is significant.

This week was notable also for the commencement of American bomber operations out of bases on Soviet soil. American long-range bombers with fighter escort, after bombing points in Rumania, landed at airfields which the Soviet had made available to us. Here was a demonstration of the military cooperation which exists among the Allies. We have organized a long-range bombing program which will be in harmony with the mutual needs of the Soviet Union.

In the Southwest Pacific our reinforced troops on Biak Island have captured the Mokmer airfield. We continue to mop up the enemy at various points in New Guinea. In recent operations a total of about 15,000 Japanese have been killed in the areas of Hollandia, Aitape, Maffin Bay, Wake Island, New Britain and heavy bombers returned to attack the Admiralties. Over 900 Japanese

Fo' Bit Coin Charm Mascot

WASHINGTON—Just before he went to Sicily with the 36th Infantry Division, Sgt. Charlie E. Cozby, Dallas, Tex., received a 50-cent piece in change at a canteen in Africa.

Tucking the coin in his pocket, Cozby declared, "I'll never spend that four bits anywhere but in Texas."

The half-dollar was Cozby's lucky piece throughout the fighting in Sicily and at Salerno, Alta Villa, Mt. Cairo and Cassino in Italy. He was in the thick of combat and escaped with nothing more serious than a concussion from a shell explosion.

He attributes his good luck to his Texas "fo' bits."

And now that he's back home under the Army's rotation plan, Cozby says he has decided not to spend the 50 cents—even in Texas. He said he would give it to his 20-month-old daughter, Charla Ruth, instead.

Eyes Upon You

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are engaged have reported that everything is proceeding according to plan—and what a plan!"

Roosevelt

"Germany has not yet been driven to surrender. Germany has not yet been driven to the point where she will be unable to recommence world conquest a generation hence. Therefore, the victory still lies some distance ahead. That distance will be covered in due time—have no fear of that. But it will be tough and costly."

Pershing

"The American soldier of 1917-1918, fighting in a war of liberation, wrote by his deeds one of the most glorious pages of military history. Today, the sons of American soldiers of 1917-1918 are engaged in a like war of liberation. It is their task to bring freedom to peoples who have been enslaved. I have every confidence that they, together with their gallant brothers-in-arms, will win through to victory."

Secretary Hull

"Our brave Allied armies, today waging the most pivotal battle of all time, never more truly represented the cause of liberty and of mankind. . . . While we fight and pray and while we know that the fighting will be hard, we confidently look forward to a great historic Allied victory. We must then pledge our all that never again shall the forces of human destruction be let loose on the world."

King George

"After five years of toll and suffering we must renew that crusading impulse on which we entered the war and met its darkest hour. We and our Allies are sure that our fight is against evil and for a world in which goodness and honor may be the foundation of life of men in every land."

De Gaulle

"For the sons of France, whoever and wherever they may be, their simple, sacred duty is to fight with all means at their disposal in resisting the Germans."

Forrestal - Patterson

Hon. James Forrestal, Secretary of the Navy, and Hon. Robert P. Patterson, Under Secretary of War, made the following statement:

"Our boys are fighting their way into France. They need our all-out support in producing the war supplies with which they will carry on the fight."

"This is no time for men and women to leave jobs in war industry. It is no time for strikes. It is no time to quarrel over profits. Our behavior on the home front at this critical hour will determine whether we can look those boys squarely in the eye when they come back home. If we want victory, we cannot shirk—all of us must do our full share of the work."

have been made prisoner in the same operations.

In Burma, American and Chinese troops have tightened their grip upon Myitkyina and the Japanese garrison entrapped in a sector of the town. The Chinese are closely investing Kamaing and have advanced on both sides of the Mogaung River. The British near Kohima keep pushing back the enemy.

In China the Japanese expanded the area of their operations near Changsha. Planes of the 14th Air Force have given aid to Chinese ground troops by attacking enemy troops and trucks as well as lake and river traffic.

Up Front With Mauldin



"... forever, Amen—Hit the dirt."

Private Snoozes in Glider Wakes Up In Fighting

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Each piece of GI mobile equipment landing in France had its own name—mostly uncomplimentary to the Axis. One jeep was titled "Filthy Flora," a heavy vehicle "Give 'Em Hell." Other designations were "Axis Doom," "Adolph's Answer," "Dyspepsia," "Ten-Shilling Annie," and "For Ladies Only."

Though he has bitterly resented the popular belief that the Wehrmacht was invincible, and on 1941 Louisiana maneuvers had predicted "Watch and See! We'll Do It," General Eisenhower had his last-minute jitters, too. Said he to his Monday morning press conference: "I'm so goddamn nervous I boil over."

Soldiers with advance dope on D-Day plans were kept under heavy guard in sealed camps. One briefed GI who left his credentials behind while on an errand was picked up by the guard. "Cock your rifle and keep it trained on that soldier while I investigate him," the officer of the guard told the sergeant.

Searched, the officer grinned and said "We've found his credentials. He's OK. He's a damn Georgia rebel—just like me."

For their final pre-invasion meals, troops were given real American white bread—the first some of them had eaten in two years. "This alone is worth the price of admission" declared one boy.

Reporters at Eisenhower's headquarters that day had strawberry shortcake for lunch.

Doughboys were issued French franc (valued at 2 cents US exchange) currency as they embarked for France. A lot of them tried to take good-luck pieces in the form of German aerial cannon shells along, too. Ordnance teams frisking troops for excess weight took these souvenirs away, remarking "No need of taking Nazi shells with you. You'll get plenty where you're going."

On the homefront various bells, sirens, and whistles were sounded in accordance with advance plans. One Episcopal cleric on a train speeding through New Jersey got out his Bible and led the passengers in hymns and prayers.

In Philadelphia, five alleged draft dodgers were ordered to stand in a minute's silent prayer for the success of the invasion by U. S. Commissioner Norman J. Griffin. Four were then allowed to appear for induction, but the fifth was held for \$1,500 bail.

The Moscow radio reported that the Russian press hailed the Allied landings in France as a "momentous event" and predicted that Allied and Soviet forces "will meet in Berlin."

When the German radio announced the first invasion landings ahead of

the first flash from London, H. D. Bradley, publisher of the St. Joseph, Mo., News-Press, wired the Nazi news agency DNB: "Interested in your bulletin service. Please quote rates."

Numerology students in Denver pointed out this week that the European landings began at the sixth hour of the sixth day of the sixth month—six a.m., London time, June 6—while firing in the World War ceased on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month—November 11, 1918.

The Soviet Army newspaper Red Star said this week that Russia was now ready to launch her own promised great offensive against the Germans.

Reports from London note that it took "a lot of persuading" to keep Prime Minister Churchill from accompanying the forces which stormed the beaches of France. Admiral Sir Bertram Ramsay, Allied Naval Commander, said he pointed out to Mr. Churchill that the extra work involved in safeguarding him would be very great and the Prime Minister finally agreed to stay behind.

Polish Prime Minister Stanislaw Mikolajek, who was in Washington conferring with President Roosevelt, told reporters he was convinced the assault on Hitler's Europe would mean not only liberation, but also a great life for mankind.

The first Allied soldier to set foot in France in the invasion was Capt. Frank Lillyman, Syracuse, N. Y., a parachute troop officer. He was the first to jump from the lead plane of the troop carriers which went in before the assault from the sea began.

A War Department report to the House Military Affairs Committee recommended a program for 69 new national cemeteries to make adequate provision for the casualties of the present war.

The Norwegian underground press spread the invasion news with handbills which were distributed in the streets of Oslo, Norway, by 8:30 on the invasion morning. The handbills contained everything the British radio had broadcast up to that time and also Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's proclamation.

Noting that Army postal units were an integral part of the invasion fleet, War Department officials pled for "an uninterrupted flow of mail from the people at home to the men overseas." They emphasized the necessity of keeping up this stream of letters, which they termed "a vital and essential morale booster, imperative to men on the fighting fronts." For the present letters should be sent to the same address as before the landing operations. The use of V-mail was urged.

Column Of Poets

Drip! Drip! Drip! We're Wearing Khaki!

I think that I shall never see
A khaki suit that's made for me.
A khaki suit that fits me where
I know the boys will have to stare.
A khaki suit that fits me right;
That's not too loose, or yet too tight.
A khaki suit that does not bulge
In places as though I indulge
In candy, cake or chocolate pie.
A khaki suit that's just for I!

Pfc. Dorothy Weltsman,
WAC Area Reception Center,
Ft. George G. Meade, Md.

Awake America!

(To the tune of Birmingham Jail)
Awake America! A mighty conflict
rages,
Calling up men, men of all ages.
Listen! I hear voices in the air,
Hurrying up men, on over there.

Over the seas and on the waves
Mighty America is on the way.
Here we come, and here we go
To strike from England a
mighty blow.

Tokyo bombed; Berlin scared,
Devil-dogs, leather-necks already
feared.

Let them holler, let them yell
We sure are going to give Hitler
some Hell!

Pfc. James H. Parsons, Hq. Btry.,
VIII Corps Artillery, APO 109,
Shreveport, La.

Priceless Time

Time is minutes,
Time is years,
Time is wisdom
Between the ears.

Time is past,
Time is ahead;
Time is money
For daily bread.

Time is all
That lies between
Life's beginning
And final scene.

Time—there's nothing
It's not the stuff of.
Time is what
There's not enough of.

Richard Armour, Totem Post, APO
M3, Seattle, Wash.

Feathered Wings

I have flown through space so wide
That even outspanned clouds
Lay panting in the sun.
And lingering there,
I've touched the vagrant halo
Of a mystic mist
And watched the diamond dust of
stars

Blit through the velvet dark,
My feet fit strangely now,
In shoes of earth.
For I have flown through space so
wide

That even the outspanned clouds
Lay panting in the sun.
And when I left—
My vapor was not all
I left behind.

S/Sgt. Warren J. Papin
Seventh Air Force "Brief."

A Rose By Any Other

She loathed the double standard,
Extolled emancipation,
Donned a khaki uniform
To soldier for her nation.
Remarks were downright impudent
If questioning ability,
And she stamped her foot at any
doubt
Of feminine virility.

He feared a cataclysmic change
In nature's most eminent habits;
As even that the Lowells, now,
Could ostracize the Cabots.
Nothing seemed beyond the realm
Of change in this new dimension—
Then she powdered her nose, studied
her lips,
And away skipped his apprehension.

Sgt. Leonard Kobrick,
76th Infantry,
Camp McCoy, Wis.

Orientation Program Vital

It Could Mean Life or Death!

CAMP COOKE, Calif. — "Know Thyself" is an old axiom, newly applied here by the 11th Armored Division's orientation office.

Charged with the responsibility of helping soldiers to keep aware of their mission in the war, whether or not they are actually in combat now, the orientation office recently prepared one of the few known outlines of the armored division written in a manner less formal than a training or field manual.

"By the nature of their duties, many armored soldiers in infantry, for example, know little about field artillerymen; little is known among some line tank outfits about the duties and set-up of combat com-

mands, medics or cavalry reconnaissance," said the weekly fact sheet for discussion groups.

Vital to be War-Wise

"Many a soldier will profit by knowledge of personnel, armor, fire power and equipment of typical division components. In combat, it is vital to know such things. War-wise soldiers can identify distant armored elements by long-range observation, translating observations into terms of men, vehicles, cannon, mortars, rifles, machine guns. What they do may be decided by such familiarity with armored elements. That can mean whether they live or die—whether they win or lose.

"This discussion, then, may be even more than informative, filling

in gaps in our understanding of ourselves and of each other in the armored division. It may aid us when we get into battle."

A later fact sheet gave hints from armored combat incidents. Previously, the unit discussions had considered such matters as "Why We Fight," "Know Your Allies," "Know Your Enemy," "Invasion Background" and "Invasion."

Reviews Progress

The armored division fact sheet (most of which is RESTRICTED to military personnel), gave a resume of tank history, the formation of the Tank Corps, its dissolution, then the rise of the Armored Corps and Armored Command, and a comparison of the first tanks with those of the present. Then followed the outline of the command, combat commands, reserve command, and the battalions and smaller units within the division—their personnel, weapons and tactical functions.

Snappy sub-titles enlivening the "dope sheet" included: "Feelers Probe Ahead and Around" (Reconnaissance); "The Heavyweights Make the Thunder" (Tanks); "Infantry Teams with Tanks and Artillery"; "Caissons Go Roaring Along"; "ROGER—WILCO—OVER—OUT" (Signal Company); "Keep 'Em Rolling" (Maintenance); "Blut Und Ehre" (Medics) (Trans.: Blood and Glory); and "Trains."

"Some day it may be life or death to know the make-up of units..." reads the orientation document. "Knowledge of what vehicles, personnel and weapons comprise a company of medium tanks may decide the action to be taken. Knowing how many tanks and other vehicles are in the outfit moving along a road may lead to quicker solution of a traffic problem affecting battle. How much punch is packed in a recon troop may tip us off to our chances of attack, or of flanking movements, or holding our positions near such an outfit."



"... WITH HER HAND ON THE TROTTLER"
WAC Lt. Helena Callahan is a Modern Casey
—Signal Corps Photo.

Entire Railroad System Is Run by WAC and 6-Man Crew

CAMP MACKALL, N. C.—A Government-owned "Terminal Railroad" here operates with a personnel of but seven—the Transportation Officer as head, one Wac as his assistant and a crew of five soldiers.

While the railroad is quite miniature, possessing but one engine, an 80-ton Baldwin steam locomotive, and 4.7 miles of track in the mail line and 11 spurs in the yards, it has handled 4,260 loaded cars since this Camp was established in January, 1943, and it is estimated it has saved Uncle Sam \$26,620 in switching charges. Added to this is the saving that has been made in shunting the empties, on which no accurate estimate can be made.

Capt. Frank E. Kingsbury, transportation officer, directs operations, assisted by Lt. Helena M. Callahan, Wac. While each of the five soldiers is designated for a special job, all are interchangeable, and these men therefore are the traffic managers, switchmen, breakmen, signalmen, conductors, engineers and firemen. All are former railroad men and they pride themselves on the fact there have been no accidents since the yard was opened.

Radio Stars Join Up With 100th Division

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—Once American troops hit the field, it's generally believed that they cut off all connections with life's finer things, such as radio entertainment.

For men in the 100th Division, this won't be so for within its ranks are three of radio's Class A vocalists who are now soldiering along with the rest of the boys, but throwing in a lyric or two when a song is called for.

Voices that can be heard in the 100th—without turning a dial—are those of T/5 Ronnie Kemper, recently-arrived ex-singer in Horace Heidt's orchestra; S/Sgt. Frank J. Rosso, the Frank Ross who crooned with Johnny Messner; and Pvt. Keith Bonn, who was one of the many voices that have made Fred Waring's chorus known over the land.

Holabird Mends Many Of Army's Iron Horses

BALTIMORE, Md.—A ceremony marking receipt of the hundredth Army locomotive to be received for repair at the Holabird TC Railroad Repair Shops was held at Holabird Signal Depot.

An indication of the tremendous expansion of locomotive repair activities since Pearl Harbor was given by Capt. Charles G. Price, shop superintendent, who stated that in just one week of last month, more large pieces of rail equipment were received for repair at Holabird than were repaired at this depot during any one of the years 1938 or 1940.

808th and 809th FA Arrive at Butner

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—The arrival at Camp Butner, N. C., of the 808th and 809th Artillery Battalions was announced by Col. Nathan E. McCluer, commanding officer of the 410th Field Artillery Group. Activated at Camp Pickett, Va., several weeks ago, the two battalions are now here for training with 155 mm. howitzers.

Commanding officer of the 808th is Lt. Col. Roy E. Hattan. Lt. Col. Harold E. Marr, Jr., commanding officer of the 809th.

War Trophies May Win Bonds

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—They're having a War Souvenir Exposition here during the Fifth War Loan Drive, with War Bonds as awards to the St. Louis men in the armed forces who come up with the best war souvenirs and trophies.

These idea is—thousands of souvenirs and trophies have been sent home from Africa, Italy, the Solomons—all over the world by St. Louis men in uniform. Their families are invited to exhibit by merely loaning the souvenirs for display in Stix, Baer & Fuller's windows during the Fifth War Loan Drive.

For the most interesting souvenir, decided by votes of bond buyers, the first prize is \$500 War Bond; second prize, \$100 bond; third prize, \$50, and ten prizes of \$25 bonds each. There are other bond prizes for the best letters telling how the souvenirs were obtained and for the most interesting souvenirs decided by the judges.

The judges are George F. Tilton, president St. Louis Council, American War Dads; Peter S. Miravalle, chairman, conference of Post Commanders, American Legion; Mrs. Clarence O'Daniel, Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs, and I. A. Long, war finance committee, U. S. Treasury Department.

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WHEN the American Infantry was born in 1775 its weapon was the musket. Today doughboys of armed divisions have a variety of weapons, 11 of which are shown here. Heaviest piece is the self-propelled 75 mm. howitzer, which resembles a light tank. At the right is a 57 mm. cannon, which recently replaced the lighter 37's. The weapons in the front row, left-right,

are the bazooka, the Garand 30 calibre rifle, the infantry's basic weapon, gun, 30 calibre air-cooled machine gun, and 60 mm. mortar. Behind them are the bazooka, the Garand 30 calibre rifle, the infantry's basic weapon, and a sniper's rifle with telescopic sight. The gun crews also have their individual weapons, the 30 calibre carbine.

'The Queen' Takes a Bow Infantry Honored June 15

WASHINGTON—Drums will beat, bands will play, troops will pass in review and dignitaries will join the rank and file next Thursday, June 15, in nationwide "Infantry Day" observances paying fitting tribute to the prowess and courage of Infantrymen fighting in every theater of the present global conflict.

Selection of June 15 as "Infantry Day" was approved by military authorities in recognition of the fact that it was on this day in 1775 that General George Washington, himself a leader of Infantry troops, was named Commander-in-Chief of the

This Is The Day of the Doughboy!

WASHINGTON—Gen. George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, U. S. Army, issued the following statement on occasion of "Infantry Day," Thursday, June 15, 1944:

"This is the day of the doughboy, the time for his greatest service. He has already earned a reputation in this war as a skillful and determined fighter. His gallantry and victorious spirit are an increasing inspiration to the entire Army and the Nation.

"Modern warfare places an increased responsibility and burden on the Infantryman. To the dogged courage and fortitude which his fighting requires must be added a high degree of individual initiative. Many weapons must be mastered and many types of warfare, along with the complicated pattern of amphibious warfare.

"Paratroopers and airborne glider troops are Infantrymen who approach the battlefield in spectacular fashion. Once these men touch the ground, they fight as doughboys, though usually far in rear of the hostile line and encircled by the enemy.

"In the vast war in the air, on the sea and over the ground, our Infantryman must take the final and decisive action. He must destroy the enemy or drive him off the battlefield. The dramatic introduction to blitz warfare and powerful air forces caused this fundamental of warfare to be forgotten. Today it is apparent to all and the Nation looks to the doughboy to overwhelm the enemy and administer the knockout blow for the final victory."

GI JOE OF '44

Continental Army by the Second Continental Congress.

In sanctioning plans for "Infantry Day," the War Department took occasion to comment on the part the Infantry is playing in the war, saying the importance of the Infantry's role is being proven daily on the battlefronts. "Infantry is the central and determining factor in all combat, and the efforts of all other military elements are, or should be directed toward promoting the efforts of the Infantry," the War Department said.

Land Victories Decisive

Pointing out that World War II up to recently has been marked by a long period of Naval and air warfare, with relatively little ground action, and quite naturally the American people have heard much of the naval and air forces, Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, Commanding General of the Army Ground Forces, in a forceful statement declared that ground actions of American troops in every theater have "verified beyond doubt that the Infantry is still the decisive and indispensable arm."

"We must rule the sea and air, but land victories alone can bring peace, and only the Infantry bears the brunt of war in both hardships and losses," asserted General Mo-

Homage To Its Native Sons

SAN ANTONIO, Tex.—In fittingly commemorating "Infantry Day" with troop reviews and demonstrations of training methods, the State of Texas will be paying homage to thousands of its native sons who are now engaged in mortal combat somewhere overseas, to the many Infantry units who have received or are now undergoing training in the Lone Star State.

Louisiana Will Celebrate

SHREVEPORT, La.—Three Armored Infantry Battalions of Maj. Gen. William M. Grimes' 8th Armored Division, stationed at Camp Polk, will come here to participate in a parade next Thursday, marking "Infantry Day." In addition to a parade, the Thundering Herd will conduct numerous displays to acquaint spectators with the part doughboys are playing on the world's fighting fronts in winning the war. Infantry weapons, ranging from the rifle M-1 to the rocket launcher will be shown along with mines, booby traps, training aids, armored vehicles and numerous other implements of war used by today's American soldier.

Plans Spectacular Show

CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—Brig. Gen. E. W. Fales, commander of this Infantry Replacement Training Center, has arranged a spectacular show for next Thursday in observance of "Infantry Day." An all-inclusive demonstration of training methods, weapons, firing, materiel and other adjuncts to the building of foot soldiers will be staged, to which a blanket invitation to notables and the public has been issued.

To Celebrate On June 12

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—"Infantry Day" will be observed here on Monday, June 12, with the outstanding event the presentation of Battle Honors awarded by citation of the President to the 1st and 3rd Ranger Battalions for their gallantry in battle. Other awards to be presented will include Combat Infantryman's Medal, the Silver Star, the Distinguished Service Cross, and a Presidential Citation. Among the honored guests will be Maj. Gen. Thomas D. Finley, commanding general of the 89th Division; Maj. Gen. William H. H. Morris, Corps Commander; Col. Herbert M. Pool, post commander; Col. Nathan E. McClure, commanding adj. officer of the 10th Field Artillery Group; Wendell L. Willkie, world traveler; Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy during World War I, and J. Melville Broughton, Governor of North Carolina.

GERMAN RADIO reports note that "because of the strained transport position," egg deliveries to dealers will be delayed, "especially in the deficiency areas."

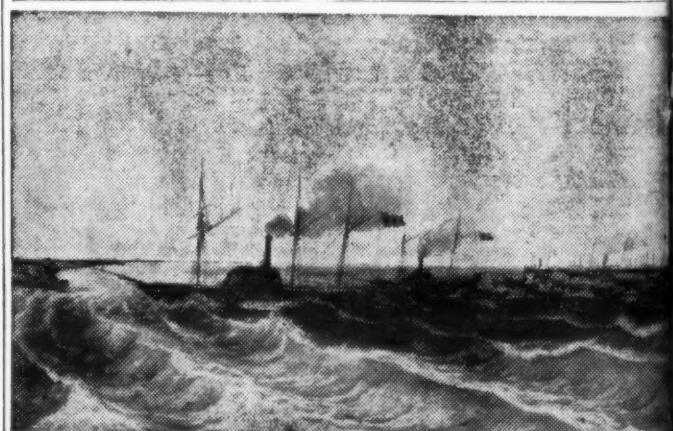
Clever Ruse Wipes Out Entire Enemy Company

WASHINGTON.—Col. Fay Ross, General Staff Corps, overseas for nearly two years and who served as director of training at Allied Force Headquarters in Algiers, unequivocally contends that the American Doughboy has proved in fighting that he is better than any of his enemies and has developed more tricks of the trade and can beat the Boche at his own game.

As an illustration of the Doughboy's cleverness, Colonel Ross has just reported to the War Department of a company of American Infantrymen which annihilated a company of Germans on the Anzio beachhead without suffering a single

casualty. "By clever reconnaissance, the Americans discovered that the German company would occupy its front line foxholes only at night, and would withdraw to a village during the daytime for a rest, leaving only a few sentinels behind," Colonel Ross said.

"At dusk one day, just before the Germans came back, our men moved in stealthily and overpowered the sentinels. Then they crouched down in the Germans' foxholes and waited for them. When the enemy turned up, our doughboys killed or captured every one of them, without losing a single American."



INVASION THRUST OF 1847
Henry N. Walke Painted a Landing in Mexico

American Battle Paintings Trace Wars, 1776 to 1918

WASHINGTON—A special exhibition of American Battle Paintings from the Revolution through World War I, will open on July 4 at the National Gallery of Art. Upon the close of the exhibition in Washington on September 4, a portion of it will be shown at The Museum of Modern Art, New York, from October 3 to November 18.

The exhibition will consist of original paintings and drawings done from actual memory or eye-witness accounts. The pictures will be arranged chronologically so as to present a record of the wars fought by the United States, from 1776 to 1918.

The material included in the exhibition has been assembled from private and public collections in many parts of this country, as well as Canada. Some of the pictures are famous, such as the battlepieces of West and Trumbull and the Civil War scenes of Winslow Homer. Other works, such as Glackens'

sketches of the Spanish-American campaign and the A. E. F. artist drawings of the last war, are so well known. A number have never been previously exhibited.

One section of the exhibition will include drawings made by cadets at West Point. Sketches by such distinguished graduates as Jefferson Davis, Lee, Sherman, Grant, Meade and others, will illustrate the admirable instruction in drawing provided by the United States Military Academy since its founding in 1802.

Another section of the exhibition will portray the long struggle with the Red Men in paintings done by Indians, as well as by artists who served on the Frontier. The exhibition will be the first to present American Battle Paintings as a continuous tradition, from the Revolution through the first World War. It will demonstrate the precedent which history furnishes for the excellent work of the American artists who are recording the war today.

'Sky Pilot' in Private Life Is Pilot in War

FORT SILL, Okla.—Lt. Frank A. Perkins, 25, who before entering the army in February, 1942, was a Methodist minister, joined the Field Artillery School Staff and Faculty this week after his return a month ago from overseas where he earned his commission as a field artillery Grasshopper pilot, participating in the North African, Sicilian and Italian campaigns and as an artillery observer and pilot at the Anzio beachhead.

Perkins and another Field Artillery liaison pilot, hold the unique distinction of having captured six German prisoners during the Tunisian campaign, from the cockpits of their planes.

Takes Six Prisoners

As a liaison pilot he was flying along the Mediterranean coast from Carthage to Bizerte when he observed another Grasshopper plane circling over six men on the beach. Coming in closer he identified the

men as German soldiers. Perkins followed the other plane to a landing and with .45 caliber pistols trained on the Germans, the two pilots took them prisoners.

Perkins and the Signal Corps photographer who had accompanied him on the picture taking mission remained at the scene to guard the prisoners while the other officers flew to headquarters and detailed a crew to come by vehicle to the beach and take charge of the prisoners.

Reduced Waistline Responsible For Saving Officer

WITH THE 37TH DIVISION, BOUGAINVILLE—"If jungle diet hadn't reduced my waist, I'd have been a dead duck that time," said 1st Lt. George West.

He had been lying on his back in a tank rut, attending to a wounded man of his unit, while Japs knocked dust from the top of the rut with two machine guns. The wind from the bullets made his jacket flap, he declared. That call was the high spot in an eight-hour day replete with sudden death for the Nips. He and the 25 men of his platoon accounted for 250 dead Japs, as near as they could tell, while they, themselves, lost three men, with six wounded.

"One Jap ran toward us, pointing to his chest and indicating that he wanted us to shoot him," reported Sgt. Marion Colo, Bevier, Missouri. "Did you shoot him?" someone asked.

Colo nodded. The enemy, during the night, had infiltrated an area vital to operations, and Lieutenant West and his men were sent to drive them away. Tanks led, with the rifle-armed infantry bringing up the rear. The Nips were encountered sooner than expected. In the first ten minutes, West accounted for seven Japs. His magazine of 15 cartridges empty, he dropped his carbine and caught up the Garand of a wounded soldier. That was the start of an expenditure of seven bandoleers, about 700 rounds, of rifle ammunition.

Will Save Deaths From Camp Fever

WASHINGTON—Through the use of small amounts of sulfadiazine, the Army has reduced the mortality rate from cerebrospinal meningitis—so-called "camp fever" of the Revolutionary and Civil Wars—from 93.2 per cent in the Civil War to less than 3 per cent in the present war, the War Department announced yesterday.

Working under the Preventive Medicine Service of the Office of the Surgeon General, a research group discovered that the meningococcus which causes the disease is highly susceptible to small amounts of sulfadiazine, ranging from two to six grams. The bacterium causing the infection is present in the throats or noses of most individuals, it was discovered, and tests indicated that as little as two grams of the drug will eliminate these bacteria for a period of several weeks.

This fact will make it possible to head-off epidemics by the occasional administration of sulfadiazine to all members of a military unit, especially under such circumstances as embarkation on a troopship.

AN APPEAL by high Jap leaders to their people for added effort to increase plane production noted that airpower "is the determining factor in military might in this war."

Jap Soldier Spends Four Months Within Yank Lines

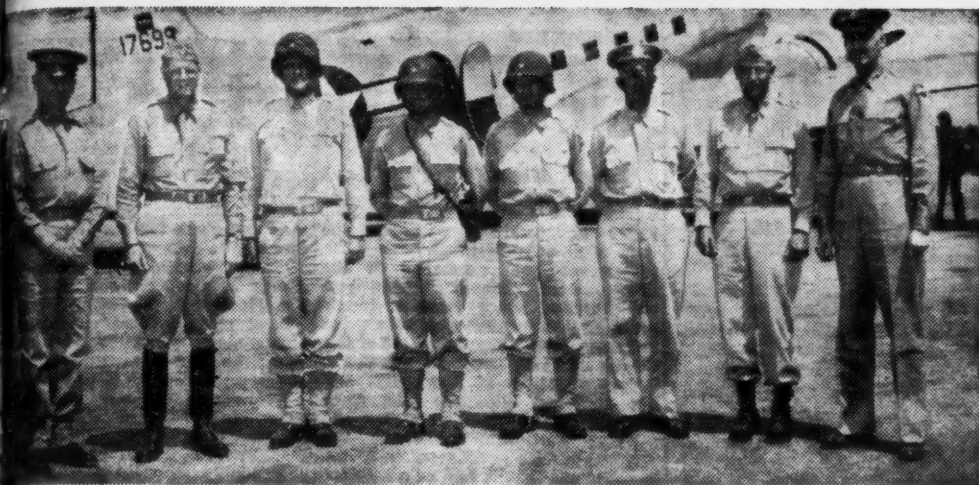
WITH THE 37TH DIVISION, BOUGAINVILLE—A Jap soldier, the last of a force "disassembled" by Americans on Bougainville, managed to live for some time within the American defense perimeter. When he finally was caught, the following were the "absolute-facts-had-it-from-a-guy-works-in-headquarters" rumors bruited swiftly among the soldiers.

1. "This Jap lived in a tree, but one day he became so interested in a volley ball game he got excited and fell out."
2. "He had a full beard and lived with an Artillery battery, until one day he got into a line to draw clothing."
3. "He got into a battery kitchen

and made himself useful and the mess sergeant thought he was permanent KP."

The facts were: When the Jap saw the rest of his unit being destroyed he sought refuge in a hole under a tree. For four months he hid there, foraging for food at night. He stole "C" rations and two suits of demins from the Americans and caught fish, which he ate raw.

When he became overconfident and stole a tent rope to hold up his pants, Americans knew he was around. A patrol beat the area and found his hole, with him in it. He was fat and healthy, "C" rations had done him good.



ELEVEN silver stars twinkle on eight collars. Lt. Gen. Lesley McNair (extreme left) was greeted upon his arrival at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., by (left to right) Maj. Gen. Henry Terrell, Jr., XXII Corps commanding general; Brig. Gen. M. B. Halsey, 97th Division commander; Brig. Gen. Julian F. Barnes, 97th Division Artillery commander; Brig. Gen. Frank H. Partridge, 97th Division assistant commander; Brig. Gen. Leo Donovan, of AGF HQ; Brig. Gen. C. P. George, XXII Corps Artillery officer, and Brig. Gen. L. M. Haynes, AGF HQ. —Signal Corps Photo.

Our Fighting Outfits!

Division Histories Written

WASHINGTON—The General of Armies, John J. Pershing, in his capacity as Chairman of the American Battle Monuments Commission, announces publication of summaries of World War operations for four divisions, the 3d, 4th, 30th and 36th, which fought under his command. These four volumes are part of a set of 28—five of which were published recently—that will cover combat divisions of the American Expeditionary Forces.

The 3d Division, organized from regular Army units in November, 1917, arrived in France the following month. The 6th Engineers had preceded the division, embarking in November, 1917. Two companies of the regiment took part in the Somme offensive, March 21-April 6, 1918, in defense of Amiens.

When the third great German offensive broke the French lines on March 27, 1918, and threatened Paris, the 3d Division was rushed from its training area to hold the Marne river crossings. As other elements moved, they continued taking over the river line which was held until opening of the last big German offensive on July 15, 1918.

"Marne Division" was during this battle that the division won its nickname. "The Marne Division." Although two German divisions fell on its right bringing the right of which was opposed in French troops withdrew, little was lost and the Germans withdrew across the river that night. The Aisne-Marne offensive, the 3d Division crossed the Marne, July 21, and by July 30, when relieved, pushed its line beyond the Meuse.

In September 30, 1918, the division entered the Meuse-Argonne offensive before relief on October 27, 1918, taken Hill 253, Bois de Cunel, Chenes Wood and Cote 299.

Activated in 1921, the 3d Division has been carrying on its World War traditions in the bitter fighting of the present war. It was part of the force that landed in North Africa in November, 1942, and took part in the final phase of the Tunisian campaign. It fought through the Sicilian campaign and participated in the drive that drove the enemy from northern Italy.

A number of World War 3d Division units are serving elsewhere. The 1st Infantry helped drive the Japs out of Attu in 1943. The 38th Infantry is part of the 2d Infantry Division. A part of the 6th Engineers now the 6th Engineer Combat Battalion, 6th Infantry Division. The 18th Field Artillery is the 76th Field Artillery Battalion, and the 18th Field Artillery has been reorganized as the 18th Field Artillery Group, 18th Infantry Division. The 687th Field Artillery Battalion, 689th Field Artillery Battalion, and the 693rd Field Artillery Battalion.

Ivy Division The 4th (Ivy) Division was organized in December, 1917, from regular Army units, and arrived in France in May, 1918, its first action in the Aisne-Marne offensive in which it fought its way to Vesle by August 6, 1918. In the St. Mihiel offensive, the division took part in the Meuse-Argonne offensive and in the final phase of the Meuse-Argonne offensive, cleared the heights overlooking the Meuse before relieved on October 27, 1918.

Activated as a motorized division in August, 1940, it was rede-

signed the 4th Infantry Division in August, 1943. A number of its World War units are serving outside the 4th. The 47th Infantry, for instance, took part in the invasion of French Morocco and the fighting in Tunisia and Sicily. The 58th Infantry now is the 203d, 204th and 205th separate battalions. The 59th Infantry is the 13th, 16th and 67th Armored Infantry Battalions, 13th Armored Division.

The 13th Field Artillery now is the 13th Field Artillery Battalion, 24th Infantry Division, which was at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. The 16th Field Artillery is the 16th Field Artillery Battalion, 9th Armored Division. The 77th Field Artillery now makes up the 77th Field Artillery Group, the 631st Field Artillery Battalion and the 634th Artillery Battalion.

Old Hickory

Made up of National Guard units from the Carolinas and Tennessee in August, 1917, the 30th (Old Hickory) Division, sailed for Europe in May, 1918. All components, except the artillery, served entirely with the British. The artillery served with American divisions in the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne offensives.

The remainder of the division got its first front-line service in the Canal sector, south of Ypres, which merged into the Ypres-Lys offensive on August 19, 1918. It moved farther south on September 4, 1918 to take part in the Somme offensive. Entering the line west of Bellicourt, the division was confronted by a particularly strong portion of the Hindenburg Line along the banks of the St. Quentin Canal.

In stubborn fighting on September 29, 1918, the division penetrated the Hindenburg Line, seizing Bellicourt and Naucourt. After a short rest, the division re-entered the line at Montbrein on October 6, 1918, drove the Germans east of the Selle River and was relieved for a 5-day rest. On returning, it drove the enemy main body beyond the Sambre Canal.

The 30th was inducted into Federal service in September, 1940. The 115th Field Artillery is now the 115th Field Artillery Battalion and the 690th Field Artillery Battalion. Some elements of the 105th Engineers now are in the 175th Engineer Regiment. The 118th Infantry is in service with the same designation but is not assigned to a division.

Lone Star

The 36th (Lone Star) Division was organized in August, 1917, from Oklahoma and Texas National Guard units. The first elements sailed on July 15, 1918. The 111th Engineers was detached and served in the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne offensives. The remainder of the 36th, less artillery, was placed with the French for the Meuse-Argonne (Champagne) offensive.

On October 6, 1918, one brigade of the division was attached to the 2d Division which had stormed Blanc Mont. Supported by elements of the 2d, this brigade attacked on October 8, and took St. Etienne-a-Arnes. The 36th relieved the 2d on October 10, took Machault, Dricourt and Vaux-Champagne, and reached the Aisne River west of Attigny by October 13. After a successful local attack east of Attigny on October 27 the division was relieved.

For the present war, the 36th, composed of Texas National Guard units, was inducted in November, 1940. It arrived in North Africa in April, 1943, but took no part in the Tunisian campaign. In Italy, the division

took part in the fighting at the Rapido River.

One battalion of the old 133d Field Artillery has been redesignated the 961st Field Artillery Battalion. Elements of the 111th Engineers now are in the 176th Engineer Regiment. The old 144th Infantry is not assigned to a division.

The 19 volumes of the series that remain to be printed will follow the same general form of the first nine. All editions are limited, so it is advised that orders be filed promptly with the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. The prices: 7th, 36th, 79th, 81st, \$0.75; 30th, 93d, \$1; 26th, \$1.25; 3d, 4th, \$1.50. Discount of 25 per cent is allowed on orders of 100 or more copies of any one divisional history.

Refuting Theory of Youth, Kills Seven in Half-Hour

A CENTRAL PACIFIC ARMY BASE—Refutation of the theory that men who have reached two score years generally are considered just too old to be able to withstand the rigors of first assault wave existence was brought to light recently when Maj. Gen. Ralph C. Smith, Commanding General of the 27th Infantry

Division, awarded Silver Stars to Lt. Col. Harold I. Mizony, of Spokane, Wash., and Pfc. Frederick Paul, of Pasadena, Calif., for gallantry in action while members of an assault in the recent Marshalls campaign.

Paul, a veteran of World War I, lays claim to being one of the older men holding his rank in the Army as he quit having birthdays when he blew out 40 candles some years back. However, for an "old" man, he did not do badly in the 30 minutes which he spent on the beach before receiving an arm wound which temporarily stopped his career as a Jap killer.

Has Busy Half-Hour

Operating on the theory that the only way to win wars is to kill the enemy, Paul admits snuffing out the lives of seven Japs in his half hour of action. His buddies who were along credit him with several more.

Colonel Mizony, Paul's battalion commander who is just a few months short of 40, will not take credit for actually killing any of the enemy, but his citation reads "Lt. Col. Mizony personally directed and coordinated the attack on a Jap stronghold from the top of a medium tank, entirely unconcerned for his own safety. . . . He remained on duty for a period of over fifty hours without rest or relief."

Both agree that they simply had a job to do and they did it. They add: "War or peace, we had to prove to these young guys that life DOES begin at forty."

Merit Award For Colonel Nickell

HEADQUARTERS, ALASKAN DEPARTMENT—Cited for performance of outstanding service as port commander on two large posts in the Western Aleutians during the period of greatest activity, Col. Joe Nickell of Topeka, Kans., has been awarded the Legion of Merit.

"During the period from May 20 to Sept. 18, 1943, Colonel Nickell demonstrated outstanding organizational ability, resourcefulness and devotion to duty in organizing the respective ports and in supervising the out-loading of a large task force," his citation said. "He devised a plan of port organization which contributed materially to the development of advanced bases. Landing at Attu with the leading elements of the American forces, Colonel Nickell as port commander demonstrated unusual ability and devotion to duty in organizing the beach and maintaining an even flow of supplies and ammunition from ship to shore, thereby contributing materially to the success of the combat forces and the establishment of the base."

Keep Promises—No Matter What!

KANSAS CITY—"We'll get together soon," two buddies stationed at separate English bomber bases wrote each other. But their leaves never coincided and it looked as if the boys, Lt. Darold Jenkins and Lt. George Stier, wouldn't meet again till they got back to Kansas City.

It looked even less like it a little while later when Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins and Mr. and Mrs. Stier each received a War Department telegram: "Your son is missing."

It looked like it. But it wasn't. Actually the boys were together again—for the duration—in the same German prison camp.

Soldier Shows

"Give me a thousand men who are entertained, rather than ten thousand who have had no entertainment."

—General John J. Pershing.

In this column the Entertainment Section of the Special Services Division contributes items on Soldier Shows which are in some way interesting or outstanding. Perhaps in these times you will find a suggestion which will be helpful to you in producing your show.

THERAPEUTIC THEATRICALS

FOSTER GENERAL HOSPITAL, Miss.—The patients at the Foster General Hospital in Jackson, Miss., were recently given an entertainment-hypo. The medical detachment, in a breezy revue, called "Stroke Your Nerves," paraded their talents with gratifying results. The cast was made up of both officers and enlisted men, and the medicos regaled their ailing charges with a varied assortment of acts. A shavetail M.C. presented the following: A T/5 from the dental section who did things with a hot harmonica; three lab technicians who pantomined their way through a recording (played off stage) by the Andrews Sisters; an X-ray expert who emulated Gypsy Rose Lee with a GI strip tease; an orthopedics orderly who jitterbugged with a realistic dummy for a partner; and, of all things, a civilian worker who ate razor blades. All but the last-named act are recommended for inclusion in your next Variety Show.

SONNY BOY

PANTOMIME TO RECORDS—the Foster medics (see above) spiced up their show with a bit of hilarious pantomime to the accompaniment of an Andrews Sisters' recording. Inasmuch as the entertainment values of this type of act haven't been too thoroughly explored and tested by very many producers of GI shows, an orientation on the presentation of such a number is in order. For purposes of illustration, the number "Sonny Boy" is used.

1. Three GI's costume themselves as follows: Two wear ludicrous female clothing, and the third (preferably a small fellow) dolls himself up to represent a baby—an abbreviated skirt (or bloomers) and beribboned bonnet will do the trick.

2. The two "women" sit on chairs in the center of the stage and hold the "baby" on their knees.

3. As the record plays offstage, the three GI's use gestures and facial contortions synchronized with the playing of the record. Many laughs will result, especially from the "cute" antics of the "baby."

This type of act has endless variations. Practically any recording of a solo or trio number will serve. Costumes and pantomime will, of course, vary with the record used. Here are a few suggestions:

1. "Oh, Johnny"—sung by Bonnie Baker (solo).

2. "Someone's Rockin' My Dreamboat"—sung by the Inkspots (trio).

3. "The Sow Song"—sung by Cyril Smith (solo).

COSTUMES AWEIGH!

BIGGS FIELD, Tex.—Army wives sometimes do more for the war effort than they realize. This observation stems from the unique experience of a sergeant formerly stationed at Biggs Field and now somewhere in the South Pacific. The three-stripper was recently presented with shipping orders that would take him away from his Panhandle post and send him up the gangplank. His wife was keeping house for him at the time in the environs of Biggs. She helped her hubby pack for the shipment. In the confusion of packing she inadvertently stuffed a couple of her own dresses into the sergeant's "B" barracks bag. Time passed. The sarge wound up in the jungles of a South Pacific isle. The barracks bag was opened. Discovered: two dresses. Result of discovery: The Special Services Officer had two very fine female costumes to use in his next jungle revue.

KWIZ HINTS

New ideas for quiz contests continue to pop up:

BIGGS FIELD, Tex.—Contestants vie with one another in describing their home towns. The idea is to paint so rosy a picture that the audience will judge your town the most desirable to visit. The contest also serves as a geography lesson—lads who haven't done much traveling take vicarious trips as the contestants sing the praises of their native Shangri-Las.

MYRTLE BEACH A. A. FIELD, S.C.—Embarrassing situations are the nucleus of a quiz contest here. One contestant gives out with a yarn about the time the mess sergeant caught him doubling up on trips in the chow line in order to get more than his share of the day's ice cream quota. Another harks back to the time he was bawled out for jaywalking by an irate cop while his best girl stood by, listening to her



A HAIRCUT on the Italian front is simplicity itself—a couple of GI cans for a seat, an Army cook's jacket and a Yank handy with scissors. Handy Yank Sgt. Dennis E. Guthrie gives Mildred Proudfoot a trim. —Photo from Red Cross.

Study of Military Tactics Pays Dividends to Colonel

A CENTRAL PACIFIC BASE. — Study of military tactics and strategy of history's wars, to which he devoted many years as a hobby, are now paying big dividends to Col. C. D. O'Sullivan, Infantry Regimental commander in the Seventh Division.

Born in London, England, a descendant of California Forty-Niners, the Colonel lived overseas for 17 years. He attended famous old Westminster School, and among his classmates at a preparatory school before that were young Kipling and several young Churchills. Young O'Sullivan went to California with his parents, completed his education and became a business executive, and for 16 years was president of Mills Estate, Inc., during which time he operated ranches, mines and office buildings.

Travels in Europe

Colonel O'Sullivan has traveled extensively in France, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Austria and Italy, and he makes effective use of his background of history-study and travel in drawing material for his orientation lectures to his troops, a task he entrusts to no one else. In them he tried to analyze the military situation, the possible points of attack, and in a recent lecture he traced the various attempts at world peace. His talks are frequently on subjects requested by his men, but he refuses to make predictions.

The Colonel's regiment, as part of the 9th Amphibious Force, took part in the Kiska attack.

Col. O'Sullivan went ashore at

Flexible Combat Teams Work Well

WITH UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC—Today's warfare against the Japanese on these jungle-covered islands is being fought with "tailor-made" U. S. Army Infantry units that can and do meet any situation on any terrain, a plans and training officer reported recently.

The "Battalion Combat Team" is a flexible organization that may include anywhere from 1,000 to 1,500 men, so complete it can fight its own little war, if need be, without outside assistance.

The Army's basic fighting unit is the battalion, according to Lt. Col. John B. Maloney, Sacramento, Calif., plans and training officer of one of Lt. Gen. Millard F. Harmon's Infantry divisions in this area. By building up a combat team around the battalion, Colonel Maloney pointed out, the American doughboys can go into battle with the knowledge they're fully equipped to handle any situation.

hero's stammering attempt to best himself. And so through a long list of laughable situations that make for a very pleasant evening for quiz-conscious-GI's.

Kwajalein right after the first battalion hit the beach and set up his headquarters. The first night a Jap sniper kept them occupied with dodging bullets. The next night a Jap with a light machine gun peppered the place thoroughly.

"Some bird had just called on the telephone," the colonel recalled, "and I was lying flat, trying to get rid of him, while the bullets whistled overhead. I don't know to this day what that guy wanted, but I tried to be polite to him and still get him to hang up so I could find cover."

Col. O'Sullivan received the Legion of Merit for his part in the Kwajalein operation.

The Colonel, who is 49 years old,

GI War Dads Are in Favor Bill of Rights

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The American War Dads are backing the G. I. Bill of Rights and are behind other legislation safeguarding the interests of the men and women in the armed forces.

Many bills they have supported have now become law, including the mustering out pay, Seeing-Eye dogs for blind veterans, increase in total non-service benefits to veterans, increase in compensation for veterans, granting civil service preference to wives of disabled servicemen and providing that payments of compensation, insurance, and social security are not to be considered income for tax purposes.

Fathers of men and women in the armed forces are eligible for membership in American War Dads. For complete information, write to American War Dads, Land Bank Building, Kansas City, Mo.

Be Prepared!

CAMP COOKE, CALIF.—Smiling as he handed Sgt. Harold O. Vogler a pre-marital physical examination certificate, Maj. Nino deProphetia, second ranking officer of the Eleventh Armored Division's 81st Medical Battalion, remarked pleasantly, "So you're getting married?"

"No, sir, not necessarily," came the astonishing reply. "I'm going on furlough and just thought I'd like to take this thing along, just in case."

Awarded Legion of Merit

WASHINGTON—For outstanding service as an officer of the Brazilian General Staff since June, 1941, Lt. Col. Jose Bina Machado has been awarded the Legion of Merit, in the Degree of Officer, it was announced by the Secretary of War.

The Army Press Pickin' Up Papers

"Echoes Winner" in bright-red, 1 1/4-inch type announces to the world that the Drew Field, Fla., paper "Echoes" has been named the tops of the Army press.

Deservedly a pacemaker in the CNS contest, "Echoes" topped several hundred other domestic letter-press sheets in the eyes of civilian newsmen Paul Bellamy, editor of the Cleveland Plain Dealer; Chet Shaw, managing editor of Newsweek, and Lee B. Wood, executive director of the New York World-Telegram.

While "Echoes" no doubt triumphed for its newsmanship, we'd like to point out that it carries a number of features which make it truly a "service" paper.

There is, for instance, a schedule of weekly religious services, USO and post theatre programs, and service club doings. A full page of want ads, with convenient coupon for insertion, is run free for GI's to help dispose of, or acquire, autos, tickets, local rides, rooms, giveaways, swaps, and lost and found items.

A cup will be awarded "Echoes" and special pinups will be presented staff members, headed by Editor Lt. Joseph McGinty, an ex-Minneapolis Star-Journal man.

The Drum Beats

For the second consecutive year, the Fort Niagara, N. Y., "Drum" came through with CNS' cup for the best mimeographed sheet. Judged primarily on writing quality, make-up, size of staff and use of facilities available, the rollicking "Drum" outdid 25 other mimeosheets in the minds of the committee.

"The Drum" contents itself for the most part with recounting post

news and evolving some of the GI humor in circulation. Its mimeograph technique is tops, also, aids and abets the excellence of cartoons and contents.

"Drum" credits go to editor Sgt. James J. Coolican and staff Sgt. Howard P. Wyrauch.

First place in CNS' domestic set contest went to the "No Star," an Air Transport Command paper published in Canada.

Winners in the overseas division were: Letter press, 45th Division News, Italy; offset, 975th News, Hawaii; Mimeograph "Daily Beacon" published somewhere in the Pacific.

Grand winner, selected from overseas and domestic papers, mimeographed, printed or produced by set, was the "U. S. Army Dispatch" published in Iran for men of Persian Gulf Command.

Down the Bridal Path

Eager brides wending their way southward for a June marriage at Camp Blanding, Fla., GI will find a lot of things they should know listed in the Blanding "Reporter" May 31 issue.

Chaplain Edwin R. Carter, in column "Chapel Bells," answers puzzlers as "Where can I obtain marriage license?" "Must the bride and bridegroom be present in person to sign the application?" "Must obtain the permission of the father to marry?" and so on.

Paging Ripley Twin Cousins

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—The duty to end all oddities is Co. 56th Med. Tng. Bn., ASFTC, to who are cousins as well as brothers but who have different mothers, were sisters!

Neal W. and Rex C. Freckles were born on December 8, 1925, hours apart, to two sisters. When Neal was 2, his parents separated and he was adopted by Rex's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Freckles. That made him their son—Rex twin, since the boys were born on the same day—and yet they're cousins!

They were brought up, as twins, and until they were 1, nobody could tell them apart. They were the same height, the same weight. Since then, though, Rex has grown three inches taller than Neal, and has taken to wearing glasses.

Must Be Rushed!

CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—Men have often wondered what those mysterious initials—"MPR LITML"—on the back of perfume letters really signify. But a certain little Lady Love from Out of the West leaves no room for wonder on her correspondence. The last letter to Pvt. Philip Sogli of the Infantry Replacement Training Center, Center Headquarters Company, has the following romantic directive lettered on the back: "MAD MAN—Please Rush This Letter. It's my love."

Up Front With Mauldin



"Who started the rumor that I was playin' poker with a beautiful nurse?"

Between The Covers

Though word has not yet come of the help French patriots are giving General Eisenhower's Army of Liberation, the maquis are there all right, working behind the lines to supply information and otherwise pave the way for the Allies.

"I Visit the French Underground" in the June 10th Saturday Evening Post describes the outlaw army which in daylight "melts into its civil background."

"I felt confident, from what I saw and heard during this visit, that the combined repression of Germany and Vichy could never crush the army of the underground," says author Ralph Heinzen, himself recently removed from a German internment camp.

The underground army assembles in the evenings to receive code messages over a secret radio and to await the parachute dropped from a darkened plane which may contain more orders, maps, fake ration tickets, or propaganda documents.

War-time shortages of film, manpower, newspaper to print the final photographs on, and the very fact that so much is happening that must be photographed are all factors in the development of one-shot pix that tell the whole story.

Newsweek's Photo Editor John Caldwell tells amateurs what to do "When One Picture Has to Tell the Story" in the June 10 issue of Popular Photography.

Says Mr. Caldwell, "The situation makes the human brain more a part of the camera . . . which may prove a blessing hiding behind false whiskers" to amateurs. He then discusses the entire business of boiling everything down into one shot.

Natural quinine, which at best can be produced in sufficient quantity to treat only 50 million of the 800 million persons suffering from malaria yearly, has at long last been synthesized by Harvard chemists Robert Burns Woodward and William von Eggers Doering.

Life's June 5 pix article shows just how they compounded synthetic quinine from coal tar chemicals. Peg and ball molecule models of the atomic construction of the new chemical parallel enlarged microscopic slides of the real thing, which in turn parallel pix of the outward chemical processes.

While we're at it, we might mention that this same issue of Life has a dandy article on Lt. Gen. Omar Bradley, on the ATC's Fire Ball Express from Miami to India, and a picture story showing the ruins of Cassino.

Railroad Without 'Boes Finds Animals Problem

HEADQUARTERS, PANAMA CANAL DEPARTMENT — Sgt. John A. Nagy and Cpl. Max Sellg, formerly throttle-pushers on the Pennsy and the Northern Pacific, respectively, and now locomotive engineers on the B. and O. (Back and Forth) railroad in Panama, find this their first experience on a railroad that has no hoboes, priorities, reservations or tariffs.

The B. and O. is one of two railroads operated by soldiers of the Panama Canal Command. The soldier-engineers have an interesting time piloting the trains through the dense jungles at the pedestrian rate of 15 miles an hour, often less, in the interests of safety. Passengers are soldiers on their way to "chow", Army movies, USO shows, and to ball games in jungle clearings. Hoboes are not a problem because these jungle railroads charge no fares. It is the animal population of the bush that gives many a headache to the engineers. Sloth bears,

Jap Charm Given Back With Bomb Attachment

MELBOURNE, Australia. — A mother's wish that a Japanese charm belt, sent her by her son from Guadalcanal, be returned to the Japanese in Dutch New Guinea, has been gratified.

When her son was killed in a subsequent operation, the mother turned over the belt to aid the Fourth American War Loan Drive and it brought contributions of more than \$100,000. The belt was sent to General MacArthur with request that it be returned to the Japanese attached to a bomb and delivery was made by a bomber, the belt landing right in the center of a Japanese camp.

Japanese charm belt consists of a yard of silk on which 1,000 stitches have been worked, each representing good luck wishes. They are preserved by Japanese troops and many have been acquired as souvenirs by American and Australian soldiers.



CH. J. WILSON
MILITARY ARTIST
OF THE ARMY

"He advanced and I recognized him."

84 New Stars May Soon Be Glittering

WASHINGTON—The White House announced Thursday that the Senate had received from the President recommendations that 21 officers of the Army be given temporary promotions to the rank of major general and 63 to brigadier general.

The list of officers follows:
To Be Major Generals (Temporary)
Brig. Gens. Robert C. Macon, James P. Hodges, Benjamin F. Giles, Archibald V. Arnold, William S. Rumbough, Uzal G. Ent, Lyman L. Lemnitzer, Jay W. McKelvie, Frank S. Ross, John W. O'Daniel, Walter L. Weible, William B. Kean, William F. Marquat, Joseph C. Mehaffey, Henry B. Saylor, Robert B. Williams, George L. Van Deusen, Archer L. Lerch, Earle E. Partridge, Ralph H. Wotten, Maxwell D. Taylor.

To Be Brigadier Generals (Temp.)
Cols. George D. Wahl, Field Artillery; Alfred A. Kessler, Jr., Air Corps; Cleson H. Tenney, Coast Artillery; Herbert B. Thatcher, Air Corps; Francis W. Farrel, Field Artillery; Paul F. Yount, Corps of Engineers; John P. Ratay, Field Artillery; William M. Gross, Air Corps; Reuben E. Jenkins, Infantry; Donald R. Hutchinson, Air Corps; Clinton D. Vincent, Air Corps; James S. Stowell, Air Corps; Egmont F. Koenig, Infantry; Julius K. Lacey, Air Corps; James E. Morrisette, J. A. G. D.; Charles H. Caldwell, Air Corps; Claude B. Ferenbaugh, Infantry; Alexander M. Owens, Quartermaster.

Clark L. Ruffner, Cavalry; George B. Foster, Jr., Medical Corps; Charles S. Shadle, Chemical Warfare Service; Robert M. Bathurst, Field Artillery; Richard C. Sanders, Air Corps; Leif J. Sverdrup, A. U. S.; Walter G. Layman, Infantry; William W. Bessell, Jr., Corps of Engineers; Edwin B. Howard, Infantry; Henry C. Doelling, Medical Corps; Philip G. Burton, Corps of Engineers; James M. Lewis, Field Artillery; Howard M. Turner, Air Corps; William H. Middlesworth, Quartermaster Corps; John H. McCormick, Air Corps; Edmund C. Langsmead, Air Corps; Arthur A. White, Field Artillery; LeRoy J. Stewart, Field Artillery; Carl C. Bank, Field Artillery; Harold C. Mandell, Cavalry.

Andrew J. McFarland, Infantry; Ernest J. Dawley, Field Artillery; James W. McCauley, Air Corps; Miles Reber, Corps of Engineers; Victor E. Bertrandias, Air Corps Reserve; Frank A. Henning, Field Artillery; Donald P. Booth, Corps of Engineers; Ralph G. DeVoe, Medical Corps; John deF. Barker, Air Corps; Hugh W. Rowman, Chemical Warfare Service; Nicholas H. Cobbs, Finance Department; Lawrence G. Fritz, Air Corps Reserve; James H. Stratton, Corps of Engineers; Harry B. Sherman, Infantry.

Ephraim F. Jeffe, A. U. S.; Isaac D. White, Cavalry; Edwin A. Zundel, Field Artillery; Charles W. Lawrence, Air Corps; George S. Eyster, Infantry; Frank F. Everest, Air Corps; Homer C. Brown, Infantry; Joseph Smith, Air Corps; Rex E. Chandler, Field Artillery Jarred V. Crabb, Air Corps; Royden E. Beebe, Jr., Air Corps.

Knox, Arnold and Ford Awarded Legion's D.S.M.

MANCHESTER, N. H.—The Distinguished Service Medal of the American Legion will be awarded posthumously to Secretary Frank Knox in recognition of his service to the country.

Mrs. Knox said she had accepted an invitation to receive the medal at the national convention in September at Chicago.

Gen. H. H. Arnold, chief of the Army Air Forces, and Henry Ford also will receive the medal.

Only sixteen others have received the medal since the Legion was founded in 1919.

GERMAN Infantrymen who have fought at close quarters for more than half their service are given a special certificate entitling them to increased cigarette rations.

Jeeps Given Loving Names Do Bouncing Work Sweetly

WITH THE AMERICAN DIVISION, BOUGAINVILLE—When the rough and ready drivers of "Trucks, 1/4 Ton, 4x4"—jeeps—were given authority to christen their vehicles with names of their own choosing, they showed varied interests and some imagination in their choices.

Though their job is to bounce their sturdy little vehicles over back roads, narrow trails, and often over no roads at all—hauling supplies, messages, ammunition, and wounded—a great many of them exhibited

the sentimental sides of their natures in naming their jeeps. Most prevalent is the romantic habit of naming them after the one and only, back home.

No Mae Wests?
Some of the names, observed at a busy intersection here, were: "Miss Tony," "Nona Lee," "Phyllis," "Ginger," "Nicky," "Miss Jean Viti," "Boots and Ellen" and "My Anita."

Home States and home towns came a close second. There were "Miss Kentucky," "Miss Massachusetts," "Miss Ohio," "Miss Illinois," "Miss Dakota," and "Miss California," among those observed, although it is more than likely that all States are represented.

Imagination came to the fore when a message center jeep, whose natural habitat is a cloud of dust moving between command posts, was named "Smokey." A man who likes speed named his "Red Hot," and a man named Robin simply called his "Robin's Roost" and let it go at that.

The "Vicious Virgin" is running around on Bougainville, too. But all of them, "Red Hot," "Virginia," "Miss Dakota," and the rest retire to the right side of the road for one jeep sporting the name: "Military Police."

Soldier Vote To Be Discussed

WASHINGTON—To review the detailed instructions which the Army has prepared for the administration of soldier-voting procedures within the United States for the general election in November, 1944, officers of service commands and large Army posts in the United States who will be responsible for administering these procedures will meet in Chicago, Ill., June 16 and 17.

Before the meeting, the Army will publish soldier-voting manuals for the guidance of these officers covering in detail soldier-voting procedures inside and outside the United States, in conformity with State and Federal law.

The Chicago meeting will review the instructions for voting procedures inside the United States to insure uniformity of soldier-voting administration in all parts of the country.

Pups are Charms To Alaska Fliers

AN ARMY AIRFIELD IN ALASKA—Because of their eerie talents, "Minnie the Goldfish" and Galena, a female husky pup, have achieved fame among Army airmen from Natal to Nome.

Minnie's fame arises from the fact that she has been frozen hard as a rock at least a dozen times but on being thawed out has always revived and been as active and decorative as before.

Minnie's competitor for fame, the husky pup Galena, is the only dog in the air forces who, pilots declare, understands what instrument flying is all about. Galena spends the greater part of her time sleeping between the rudder bars of an Army transport plane, but the instant the plane gets into fog and the pilot has to go on instruments, Galena sits up and watches the panel.

A number of Army airmen flying into Alaska have insisted on taking the pups on flight—just for luck.

Hard to Digest!

NAPLES, Italy—Sgt. Henry Kablun, the only full-blooded Eskimo in Italy, has a complaint.

He says the candles in Italy are made from mineral ores and they play havoc with his digestion.

In Alaska, Sergeant Kablun is used to fine tallow candles made from moose fat.

"They are the greatest delicacy in the world," says the sergeant, "except, perhaps, for seal blubber."

Camel Caravaner Dies While on Army Tour

NEW YORK—Clyde Hager, the comic pitchman whose "That's all, brother!" became a watchword among soldiers he entertained all around the country as a member of the Camel Caravan, died in service at Harrisburg, Pa., recently while on tour with the Caravan. He had been ill for several weeks with a heart ailment, but refused to halt his tour. Hager had traveled to every Army camp in the country with the Caravan, which he joined when it was organized before Pearl Harbor.

Replacing Hager with the Caravan is the comedy ventriloquist act, Canfield and Snodgrass, just returned from a seven months tour of Army camps and hospitals in Great Britain.

Booklet Tips GIs On Benefits—And How to Collect

WASHINGTON—Free babies, free legal aid to help make a will or fight a lawsuit, half-price train trips and college courses, lowered insurance premiums—all are rights of men and women in the armed forces.

Many GI Joes and Janes, however, don't quite know how or where to apply for such benefits and \$50 per won't stretch to cover them at civilian prices.

"Facts and Tips for Service Men and Women," the 92nd Public Affairs pamphlet, tells Joes and Janes exactly what the government provisions are for education, medical aid, financial and legal help, taxes and insurance, and demobilization, and tells them how to take advantage of them.

Furthermore, the booklet, written by Dallas Johnson and obtainable from the Public Affairs Committee, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City 20, for 10 cents, tips the members of the armed forces off to recreation provided for them outside the camp, ways their families can live on a GI income, and action to take in case of death or disability.

The Public Affairs Committee, which is a non-profit educational organization, has checked its facts carefully with government and private agencies, so that servicemen can be sure they are safe when they act on the booklet's advice.

Paratrooper Is Given Thermal Wave Thrill

WASHINGTON—The young paratrooper leaped from his plane, yelling "Geronimo" like all good paratroopers, but he didn't go down. He went up.

He watched his buddies swing in diminishing pendulums toward the ground, gazed anxiously at his airplane faded into the distance as he personally floated higher and higher.

"With no more control over his movements than a wisp of thistle-down," relates the official service magazine, Air Force, "the paratrooper was tossed about on the point of a thermal wave."

He spent half an hour watching his outfit fighting a fierce mock battle on the ground. In time, the thermal wave released the young man and he came down to join his battalion as a fresh reservist.

Either Get Medal Or You're Through

CAMP ROBERTS, Calif.—Up in the second platoon barracks of Co. C, 86th Infantry Training Battalion were a dozen boys just back from Anzio. They fitted together well. The kinship which they had forged during four amphibious attacks, along bloody-footed marches in Sicily, in the shell-racked Anzio beachhead was a thing you could feel.

Four of them have the Silver Star. S/Sgt. Joseph Prendiville of Oakland, explained, "You either get out and get a medal or you're finished. It's like being backed into a corner."

Narrow escapes from death were commonplace among the 12.

What's Wrong With This Picture?



—Courtesy, The Checkerboard, Camp Maxey, Tex.

THIS WAR has produced many innovations in the art of battle, but none so useful as the Cannon Company, a unit that we didn't have when the war began. Here is one section of an infantry regiment's Cannon Company, close behind the lines as usual, helping the GI Joes grind forward. They have made some errors. Can you find them before checking the answers on this page?

All But the Kitchen Sink!

Salvage Goods Used For Portable Stage

CAMP GORDON, Ga.—What is believed to be the first complete portable theatre-stage ever to be built, the work here of T/5 H. H. Smith, is now being used by the 108th Armored Division and proving most satisfactory.

The Smith creation built entirely from salvage material, is equipped with wings, back and side curtains, its own footlights, spots, floodlights and master switchboard and it will have a front curtain with a draw-pull arrangement when Smith gets through with his job.

The stage, when opened full-front view, is 40 feet long and eight feet deep. Each of its wings is in three sections, in graduated heights of 10 feet, eight feet and six feet. The four upright poles are constructed like GI tent poles, and, when pulled out, stand 12 feet high. The stage can be packed in its own flooring to

form two crates, with a total weight of 1,000 pounds.

The versatile Smith, who had been in the show business for years before he came into the Army, is a combination carpenter-electrician-plumber, and he did all of the work on the portable stage himself, using nothing but salvage lumber, metal and cloth. The wings, for example, were made of target cloth, and their corners are reinforced with tin cans. For his curtains, Smith utilized old GI mattress covers and borrowed a sewing machine from the USO and personally sewed the strips together.

The footlights were built from salvage lumber, while salvage veneer was used as the top shield, with GI paint for reflection. The spots were made of salvage lumber and tin, and the floodlights were GI lard cans.

Smith, who got the idea for the portable stage from his observations while on the road that a great need existed for a small, easily transported stage, values his "salvage job" at about \$300, but says that with new materials it would be worth about \$900.

'You're Holding Up the War' MP Tells Lost Pilot

CAMP POLK, La.—Saving a lost airplane and preventing a traffic snarl was all in a day's work for Cpl. Alvin E. Singer, of the 8th Armored Division's military police platoon the other day.

Primary duty of the division's military police is directing traffic for the tanks and armored vehicles on the move. The corporal was doing just that when an airplane started circling overhead and the pilot made signs he wanted to land.

The highway made a perfect emergency landing strip. "I'm lost," explained the pilot from the cockpit of his military liaison plane.

"Take this map and head straight down the road. You'll be home in an hour," the corporal directed. "Now get out of here. You're holding up the war."

In a matter of seconds the plane was back in the air and the tanks rumbled by unimpeded.

Gets New Steel Container

WASHINGTON—Army use of a new steel ammunition container, designed to afford packaged artillery rounds and powder charges increased protection from handling damages, was announced by the War Department. It is estimated the Ordnance Department, Army Service Forces, will require 125,000 tons of steel during the first three months of the container production program.

AGF: The Week's News of the Army Ground Forces Straight from Headquarters in Washington

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY GROUND FORCES—Troops of the Army War College will pass in review here June 15 before Gen. Lesley J. McNair and other high ranking Army Ground Forces officers in the headquarters' observance of Infantry Day.

The ceremony will be marked by the presentation of Combat Infantryman badges to four Infantrymen, three who served in the South Pacific and the fourth who saw action in Sibia Valley, during the Tunisian campaign.

The four soldiers who will receive decorations from General McNair are Sgt. Michael Mandziuk, Pfc. Louis Raybin, Pfc. Charles R. Hudson and Pvt. Charles E. Shoemaker.

After the presentation of the medals to the Infantrymen General McNair will address the entire assemblage on the occasion of Infantry Day. Before the presentation the Army Ground Forces commander will inspect the troops.

Headquarters, Army Ground Forces, swung into the Fifth War Loan drive last week with the appointment of 44 minute men who will contact each enlisted man of the Special Troops at AGF.

Promotion of First Lieut. Albert Edwards, FA, to the rank of captain was announced this week.

Civilian Tries, And Likes, KP

CAMP KOHLER, CALIF.—Sitting nonchalantly with a group of potato-peeling pitchmen police in a Camp-to-peeling kitchen police in a Camp elderly civilian a paring knife with all the finesse of an experienced buck private.

He was Henry S. Troxel, 67-year-old Kokomo, Ind. coal dealer, and right beside him was his son, Pvt. Herbert A. Troxel, also peeling spuds.

Mr. Troxel, who traveled 2300 miles to visit his son, volunteered for K. P. duty after his son was selected for the job, and GIs on kitchen police work were happy to have a helping hand.

The elder Troxel said, "K. P. is fun. I'm enjoying today more than any day of my visits out here in California." Needless to say his opinion is definitely not shared by his son.

Maj. Melvin W. Scofield, Infantry, has reported to this headquarters for permanent duty and has been assigned to the Ground G-2 Section.

Lieut. Col. Quentin M. Spradling, Infantry, who formerly was S-4 of an infantry regiment, a battalion commander, commanding officer of special troops and assistant chief of staff, G-1, of the 45th Infantry Division overseas, held conferences last week with officers at this headquarters.

HEADQUARTERS, AIRBORNE CENTER—Signal Corps films showing the recent paratroop attack on airfields near Mitchell Field, L. I., were shown at the Airborne Center to the troops which participated in the jump and later to all other units at Camp Mackall, N. C.

An advance party flew to Mitchell Field to lay plans for another tactical jump and exercises which will be conducted some time this month.

Maj. Gillmore Langworthy, AC, reported for duty here this week.

Maj. John A. Wallace, glider training officer, has begun a series of lectures and practical demonstrations on the transportation of parachute field artillery by glider and air transport. This begins a new training program to train parachute field artillery in the methods used for transporting its material by glider and air transport.

Staff members of this headquarters observed the airborne training of parachute units stationed in the Tennessee maneuver area last week.

Lieut. Col. Roy T. Christiansen and First Lieut. Raymond B. Bean, of the engineer section, are conducting classes in land mines and booby traps two evenings each week for the Station Complement officers and enlisted personnel.

HEADQUARTERS, ARMORED CENTER—It is the destiny of tanks and armored vehicles to play a prominent role in the critical fighting to come, Lieut. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, commanding general of the Army Ground Forces, predicted during an inspection tour of armored installation at Fort Knox, Ky. "The troops are in splendid condition," the general said. "It is safe to say we've never before had any soldiers approximating the present well-trained and equipped troops. I have every confidence in them."

HEADQUARTERS, ARMORED

16 Stars in Service Flags Tell Why 2 WACs Enlisted

FORT MONMOUTH, N. J.—There are two members of the Women's Army Corps Detachment here whose combined service flags bear 16 stars.

There are seven stars in the flag of the family of Pfc. Phyllis Smiley, of Kansas City, Mo. Her only son, Capt. Frank C. Smiley, 23, a former graduate of West Point and recently a fighter pilot serving with Gen. Chennault's 14th Air Force in China, was killed in action a few days ago.

A brother, Lt. Daniel Jund, was killed in the Philadelphia Navy Yard in August, 1943. A daughter and sister also are in the Wacs. Her husband, Frank C. Smiley, who enlisted in the Navy April 17, 1917, the day World

War I was declared, is superintendent of electrical construction at a North American Bomber Plant, and when his present contract expires will return to the Navy for special services. A brother, Pfc. Xavier Jund, is at Fort Hancock, N. J.

Pvt. Margaret Starnes, Charlotte, N. C., says she has "seven little reasons and one comparatively big one" for being a Wac. Six of her brothers are in Great Britain, all in an Engineer outfit, and their father is somewhere in the Pacific, a Navy captain and also veteran of the last war. The gold star is for Private Starnes' "big reason"—Bryce, her husband, who as a master seagant in the big push in North Africa, was killed in action.

Three Services Combine

FORT HANCOCK, N. J.—It took the combined resources of Army, Navy and Coast Guard to rush a stricken soldier from a point four miles at sea to the hospital here. T/4 David Johnson, 4, is now safely on the road to recovery after an appendectomy.

When the soldier was stricken with appendicitis on the boat, the captain dropped anchor and radioed the Fort Hancock hospital to stand-by to receive a patient who needed immediate operation. An Army doctor attached to the hospital here boarded a Coast Guard cutter and was taken to the ship, where he examined the soldier. The doctor directed the soldier's removal from the ship to the cutter, which rushed him to the hospital here for the appendectomy.

Has Him Blushing

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—Sergeant Louis Fosburgh, five feet nine inches tall and 280 pounds in heft, feels tempted to join Scottish Highland Regiment!

He needed a new pair of suntan trousers and since his size is 6, a special tailoring job was required.

Thursday Fosburgh was told to report to the company supply room for his new trousers. He opened his package and found: A WAC skirt, size 12.

SCHOOL—Brig. Gen. Milton de Freitas Almeida, chief of Brazil's armored and motorized forces, who was made a commander of the Legion of Merit during his recent visit to the Armored School, stated that "whatever I have seen will greatly profit the Brazilian Army," in a telegram to Brig. Gen. P. M. Robnett, Armored School Commandant. General Milton added that he was greatly impressed with the efficiency of the methods used by the school.

HEADQUARTERS, CAVALRY SCHOOL—Maj. D. W. Heister, of Army Ground Forces Headquarters, and Maj. D. C. Haney and Capt. P. V. Bowen, of the Replacement and School Command, Birmingham, Ala., visited Fort Riley to observe training in automotive maintenance instructions at the Cavalry School.

Maj. Ralph W. Bristol, of the department of Publication and Review of the Cavalry School, is on temporary duty with Army Ground Forces in Washington, D. C.

Capt. John W. Redick, Jr., who recently joined the Cavalry School staff and faculty, has been assigned to duty in the department of Communications.

HEADQUARTERS, ANTIAIRCRAFT COMMAND—Brig. Gen. Clarence H. Schabacker, GSC, assistant chief of staff, G-3 Antiaircraft Command; Col. F. R. Abbott, GAC, and Maj. J. B. Glover, GAC, visited the Antiaircraft Artillery Training Center at Camp Stewart, Ga., last week in connection with antiaircraft training.

General Schabacker visited the Antiaircraft Artillery Training Center at Camp Davis, N. C., to discuss air force-antiaircraft combination training upon his return to this headquarters. Col. Perry McC. Smith, GSC, executive officers, G-3 Section of this headquarters, and Lieut. Col. K. C. Smith, CAC, attended the conference with General Schabacker.

HEADQUARTERS, ANTIAIRCRAFT ARTILLERY SCHOOL—Among the guests at last week's graduation from the Officer Candidate School were Brig. Gen. C. V. R. Schuyler, Commanding General of AAATC, Camp Davis; Col. Adam Potts, CAC, camp commander, and M/Sgt. Jesse T. Richardson, post sergeant major at Fort Monroe, Va., whose son graduated with the class.

Picture Puzzle Answers

1. The lack of camouflage is always an error, but it is not quite so important here as in the artillery, because the Cannon Company usually is not in a place long enough to make it necessary. However, because of the expediency of these weapons, the tactical reason for the lack of camouflage is always a matter of degree. 2. The runner to the right is not kneeling as he should be using the right knee. 3. It is not necessary to dig for the best accuracy. 4. The improper position does not make the gun unless the position is occupied for some time, but ammunition pits must always be dug in for protection and these men have neglected it. 5. The bazooka team to the right rear have not dug themselves a proper emplacement. As close to the front as possible. 6. The bazooka team to the right rear must be prepared to defend the position to the best advantage. 7. The aiming stakes have been set out to the left-front of the position. 8. The aiming stakes have been set out to the left-front of the position. 9. The aiming stakes have been set out to the left-front of the position. 10. The aiming stakes have been set out to the left-front of the position.

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The Army Quiz

1. You know, of course, that the American Fifth Army is fighting in Italy under Lt. Gen. Mark Clark. But do you know where, and under whose command the Fifth American Air Force is operating?

2. Secretary Stimson announced last week the number of American soldiers now overseas in combat areas. Is the number—
A. 5,342,000?
B. 3,657,000?
C. 2,145,000?

3. An effective weapon used by the Germans in recent battles in Italy is the "Ferdinand." Is it—
A. A dog carrying explosives?
B. A new type of torpedo-gun?
C. A self-propelled gun which hits and runs?

4. After he was inducted Pvt. Joe Donkes pawned his watch. Now the pawn-broker threatens to sell it unless he meets his payments. He says the Soldiers and Sailors Relief Act will protect him.
True? False?

5. The President recently stated that the amount spent by United States for lend-lease was a number of cents of every dollar spent so far for the war. Was it—
A. 14 cents?
B. 29 cents?
C. 43 cents?

6. The Quartermaster Corps is making frequent use of a new term "T-Day," in their dealings with supply contractors. Would this mean—
A. Time for delivery?
B. Termination of Contracts Day?
C. The day the material is to be transported?

7. The initials "C.I.B." appear frequently in dispatches covering the war. Do they mean—
A. Civilian Infantry Brigade?
B. Captain in Barracks?
C. China-India-Burma theater?

8. Japanese who surrender to American forces are said to be violating "Bushido." Can you explain the term?

9. Merrill's Marauders, last week battling in the outskirts of Myitkyina, northern Burma, have seen more uninterrupted jungle service than any American unit except the First Marine Division. Where did that division develop its famed reputation?

A. At Guadalcanal?
B. In New Guinea?
C. Corregidor?

10. In view of probable Allied air raids on their cities the Japanese have been making plans for evacuating them, but see difficulty in getting the people out of Tokyo. Would you say the population of Tokyo was—

A. 1,785,000?
B. 3,250,000?
C. 7,000,000?
(See "Quiz Answers," page 19)

Italians Waited Patiently to Be Taken Prisoners

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Pfc. Stanley J. Wilk, First Division automatic rifleman, held his rifle at the ready, and beckoned the nineteen Italian soldiers huddled in the pillbox to "come out." A German bullet intended for Wilk struck one of the Italians. Wilk "hit the dirt" until the sniper was disposed of. The Italians waited patiently for him to regain his feet so that he could recapture them.

That's the story of how Private Wilk, wearer of the Military Award of the Purple Heart, now with the of the Purple Heart now with the Reassignment Center, captured nineteen Italians single handed, in Tunisia.

He doesn't claim to be a hero, however, "Those Italians were just waiting for someone to come along and take them prisoner. I probably would have taken them without a weapon."

70,000 Discharged Vets Enter Industry Monthly

WASHINGTON—Discharged veterans of the present war are entering industry at the rate of approximately 70,000 per month, with a majority going into war production jobs.

This is the highlight of the report just issued by the Office of War Information, based on information from the United States Employment Service of the War Manpower Commission; the Veterans Administration; Selective Service, Army and Navy, and the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Training, Federal Security Agency.

Intended to show what is being done to place discharged veterans in civilian jobs, the report also points out the following facts:

More than 74,000 veterans of the present war were placed in civilian jobs in February and March, 1944, by USES.

Seek Different Jobs

Veterans are seeking jobs different from those held before entering the services. Only 25 per cent of the veterans of the present war discharged through hospitals from May 1, 1940, to the present have been returned to jobs they held before entering the services.

More discharged veterans of the present war have taken war production jobs than are hospitalized in veterans' facilities or have returned to their old jobs. As of March 31, 1944, the Veterans Administration carried 118,839 veterans of the present war on its disability pension rolls.

The basic rights for an honorably discharged veteran, or a veteran discharged from the armed forces under honorable conditions, remain unchanged: (1) Right to his old job if he wants it and applies for it, (2) right to medical care, disability pensions, and vocational rehabilitation training, and (3) right to assistance in obtaining a new job.

Army Discharges

From December 1, 1941, to January 1, 1944, 1,058,000 men were discharged from the United States Army for all causes. Of these, 844,000 were honorably discharged for physical or mental disability, as minors, because of candidate failures, or to join other branches of the armed forces, and 196,000 because they were over age of 38. Others were discharged to accept commissions.

Marine Corps. From Pearl Harbor to April 6, 1944, 38,906; of these, 36,042 were honorably discharged or discharges under honorable conditions.

Yank 'Shuttle' Bombers Serviced New, Secret Bases In USSR

LONDON—As closely guarded a secret as D-Day has been the formation of Detachment X, under the newly activated Eastern Command of Strategic Air Forces, to set up bases in Russia for shuttle bombing in eastern Europe.

Under the general direction of Maj. Gen. Hugh J. Knerr, Russian-speaking GI's were chosen, unknown to themselves, for the job. They headed for Russia one night under cover of darkness, with pockets full of "gold seal" money issued to make them think they were returning to the U. S.

On shipboard they learned where they were really going, attended lectures on Russian customs, history, and political organization; ripped off their blue Air Force shoulder patches and sewed on special Russian insignia.

Arriving at the Russian bases, they immediately began training Russian technicians to help service American planes which it was planned would land at these Red Army bases after a raid over Europe instead of returning to their home bases in the western part of the continent.

According to "Izvestia", "on June 2 a group of American bombers, flying

from Pearl Harbor to April 6, 1944, 23,261; 22,570 honorable discharges or discharges under honorable conditions.

Navy. From Pearl Harbor to April 1, 1944, 175,959; 159,400 honorable discharges or discharges under honorable conditions.

To date few men suffering combat injuries have reached Veterans Administration beds, for the majority of combat cases are in hospitals maintained by the Army and Navy. On April 30, Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, said, "The young veterans of this World War are not requiring long periods of hospitalization on the average. So far we have had 58,760 hospital admissions on account of this war; 15,474 of which were for disabilities connected with the service, and 43,286 were for non-service connected disability."

Around Tonettes One Must Tootle In Self-Defense



LAS VEGAS, Nev.—A big bruiser of a mechanic, some six feet high and five feet wide, walked across the grounds at Las Vegas Field, completely oblivious to everything about him. Strange sounds drifted back over his shoulder.

War Prisoners To Get Books

WASHINGTON—The American Red Cross has announced that an arrangement has been concluded whereby each American prisoner of war or civilian internee held by Germany will be permitted to receive five pounds of books a month, or 60 pounds a year. It was emphasized, however, that restrictions imposed by German authorities must be conformed with.

Books must be sent direct from the bookseller; must not contain political matter, references to the war; information on radio, espionage, and technical or military or naval matters. Books written by emigres from enemy-held territory or by authors blacklisted by the German government are barred.

But one package of books may be sent each month, and the Red Cross suggests small paper-backed reprints, from which all patriotic slogans have been removed.

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Chinese Boys Used As Walking Blood Banks

WASHINGTON—A Tokyo domestic broadcast indicated that Chinese boys are being conscripted by Japanese military authorities in Honan Province to provide blood transfusions in the field for wounded Japanese soldiers, says the Office of War Information.

Reporting the organization of a so-called "volunteer blood transfusion corps," the Tokyo radio said that boys belonging to the corps were attached to military headquarters and had already been used for transfusions "since the crossing of the great Yellow River."

Sandals Experiment Tried at Eglin Field

ELGIN FIELD, Ill. — Sandals, in limited numbers, have been issued to both officers and men here in a Quartermaster test of their fitness for footwear for the summer months.

This field was chosen for the test by reason of its location and administrative set-up. It is believed to be the only place where the experiment is being tried at present.

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American League Race Is 'Crazy Quilt'

Bounding Home Beats Pensive in Belmont

WASHINGTON—For radio listeners the Belmont Stakes was quite a race. It was surprising anyway you figure it.

"They're at the mile post and Pensive is moving up on Who Goes There, Bounding Home is running third," the excited race caller announced.

D-Day Sport Shows Halt

WASHINGTON—In observance of D-Day, sports generally were suspended on Tuesday.

Two National League scheduled ball games were put off, as were the games in the International, American Association, Eastern, Southern Association, Pacific Coast and other minor leagues.

By edict of the New York Boxing Commission, boxing cards were called off. Herman Taylor, Philadelphia promoter, postponed the Sammy Angott-Ike Williams boxing match for a day.

A four-game soccer program was carried out under lights at the New York Polo Grounds with the proceeds going to the American Red Cross.

There was a suspension of all horse racing programs with the exception of Delaware Park at Stanton and Bay Meadows in California. In explanation of its decision to operate, the Delaware Association issued the following statement:

"Delaware Park on this grave day announces its War Bond distribution to horsemen, and purses will be increased 50 per cent—all in War Bonds. It was decided that closing our race track on D-Day wouldn't help, but that carrying on would help. We are working and carrying on."

The Bay Meadows track gave the day's profits to war charities.

Bob Fitzsimmon's Son Is Also Fighting Man

KEARNS, Utah—Pfc. Martin Fitzsimmons, son of Bob Fitzsimmons, former heavyweight boxing champion of the world, is here as a motor transport driver, the same job he held down in World War I. Private Fitzsimmons, now 47, was born the year his dad won the world crown from Gentleman Jim Corbett, and he was six years old when Ruby Robert licked George Gardner for the light heavy title. Private Fitz has not fought professionally but was a member of the boxing team in the Hawaiian Islands and the Philippines, where he served from 1923 to 1925. Fitzsimmons for some months was boxing instructor at Keesler Field, Miss.

Then came a click and silence. The silence was broken by a voice stating, "A communique from General Eisenhower's headquarters announces that Allied forces have landed in France."

Confusing

"Bounding, I mean Breezing, I mean Bounding Home has a half-length lead," came the other far more excited voice. "Pensive can't catch him. McCreary has the whip on him but Bounce, er, Breeze, er, Bounding Home is going to win. He does win. What an upset."

Then came the other voice again, "It has been announced that the invasion report is in error."

The woman telegraph operator, who sent the flash, wasn't the only one in error. Racing fans had backed Pensive, winner of the Kentucky Derby and Preakness, into 1-2 favoritism.

Bounding Home, who hadn't won much of anything, went to the post a 16-1 shot. Neither Bounding Home nor Jockey G. L. Smith had read the tote board or newspapers. The 3-year-old ran and the jockey rode like they were expected to win.

Bully Dandy, who closed at a Treasury Department price, ran third. The final pay-off gave holders of tickets on the winner \$34.70, \$8.20, \$5.80, Pensive, \$2.90, \$2.60, and Bull Dandy, \$19.30.

Platter Went Lame

In one respect it was a disappointing race. Johnny Longden, up on Platter, said he had his sights set on the leaders when the horse went lame.

The fans, who installed Bold Salute as favorite in the Paul Revere Handicap at Suffolk Downs, had a little more luck. Bold Salute returned a pay-off of \$4.40, \$3, \$2.40, while place-horse, Reaping Glory, paid \$4.20, \$3, and Son of War, \$3.

Castleman Won

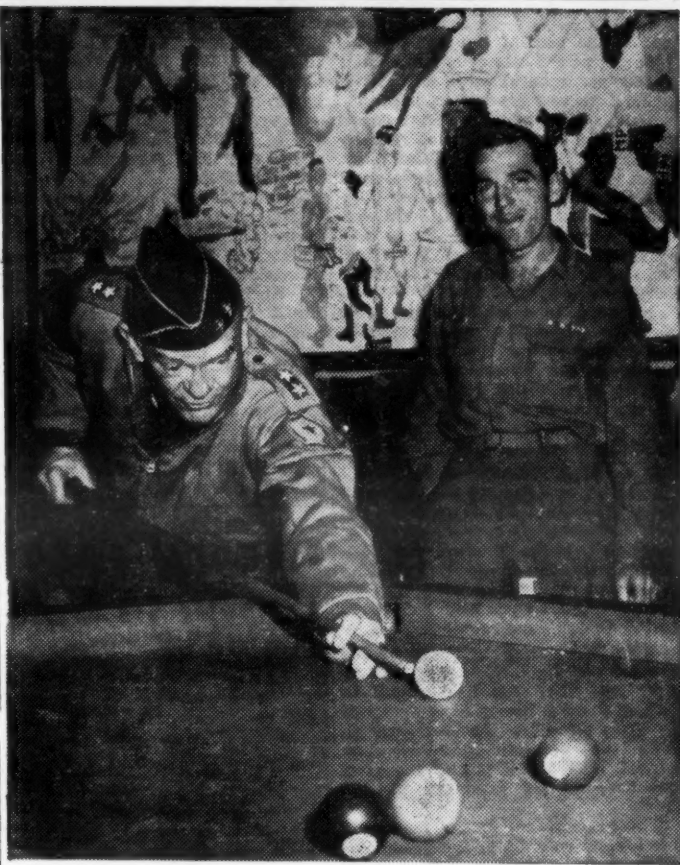
At Delaware Park Castleman won the Brandywine Handicap, paying \$4.20, \$2.70, \$2.30; Sea Marriage \$4.80, \$3.20, and Omission, \$3.40.

The question of the best handicap horse has been settled to the satisfaction of at least two jockeys. Eddie Arcaro and Ted Atkinson put Devil Diver on top—of even Whirlaway.

Arcaro likes the way he runs any race from sprints to distances. Whirlaway had the stuff for a great stretch rush but didn't like it when another horse came up alongside him, according to the money-riding jockey.

Parachute Jump School

CAMP FORREST, Tenn.—Establishment of a parachute jump school in the 17th Airborne Division has been completed here, with 20,000 students.



POOL-SHOOTIN' Maj. Gen. Arthur R. Wilson draws a bead on the seven-, not the eight-ball, during an inspection of a Red Cross Club in Naples. An amused Joe looks on.

—Photo from Red Cross.

Ups & Downs For Six Clubs Give Fans Jits

WASHINGTON—Pre-season forecast by Clark Griffith that American League fans would witness a "crazy race," one in which every team would find itself at one time or another both at the top and at the bottom of the heap, seems well on its way to coming true.

With the exception of the St. Louis Browns, who got off to a 12-game winning streak, and the New York Yankees, all clubs in the American have found themselves at some stage occupants of the cellar.

Skids Are Well Greased

The dizzy situation in the American is best judged by the fact that Thursday of this week but five and a half games separated the first and eighth place clubs, which means that a couple of series with winning streaks for any club could materially alter the picture.

Skidding possibilities are best illustrated by the experience of the Washington Nats. In mid-May the Nats were but half-a-game back of the leading Yankees, and were a close third when they started their last Western trip. On this voyage they won but five while losing 10, and when they opened in Philadelphia Thursday, were in the cellar, two percentage points behind Cleveland. Chicago White Sox were in the cellar a week ago, but a seven-game winning streak had sent them to fourth place Thursday; Boston Red Sox had jumped from seventh to fifth, and the Athletics had tumbled from fourth to sixth.

There's an old contention in baseball that teams which lead on the Fourth of July generally cop their league pennants. Therefore, results of the second invasion of the East by the Western clubs, which starts next week, will be scanned with particular interest. In a race where, at the three-quarter pole, the front runner has a .574 percentage and the tailender has .455, anything can happen.

Carnett Sparks Chisox

That a lone player can make a whale of a difference in a team is illustrated by the case of Eddie Carnett, substituting for Hal Trosky at first for the Chicago White Sox. Originally a pitcher, Carnett was turned into an outfielder at Seattle last year. He was drafted last winter and became a jack-of-all-jobs with Chicago. In the last five games he batted out nine hits and sparked his team on its winning streak of seven games that sent it from last to fourth place. He's batting around .360.

In the National League the situation remains static, with the St. Louis Cardinals continuing in the top spot and keeping up their steady winning pace. Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and New York are having a merry tangle in the next three spots, while Philadelphia, Boston and Brooklyn are having a free-for-all in the second division. After quite a spurt, the Chicago Cubs dropped back into their losing ways and they're now 13½ games from the top. Unable to get player reinforcements, the Cubs will try to bolster up with increased coaching, Ray Schalk, former iron-horse catcher and later manager of the Chisox, having been signed.

With the Minor Leagues

Baltimore proved the sensation of the International League during the week. Winning five out of seven, the Orioles leaped from seventh to fourth place. Newark, recalled for its pennant wins and the many stars it provided for the New York Yankees, continues to repose in last place, now having dropped 26 of its 38 games. The only changes of the week brought Toronto and Montreal to fifth and sixth places, respectively, with Rochester going to third and Baltimore to fourth. Jersey City is still tops, with Buffalo only half a game behind.

Eastern League

| | W. | L. | Pct. |
|--------------|----|----|------|
| Albany | 22 | 9 | .710 |
| Hartford | 22 | 10 | .688 |
| Williamsport | 16 | 15 | .516 |
| Wilkes-Barre | 17 | 17 | .500 |
| Elmira | 13 | 17 | .433 |
| Binghamton | 13 | 17 | .433 |
| Utica | 13 | 20 | .394 |
| Scranton | 11 | 22 | .333 |

Southern Association

| | W. | L. | Pct. |
|-------------|----|----|------|
| Knoxville | 20 | 15 | .571 |
| Memphis | 21 | 16 | .568 |
| Little Rock | 21 | 16 | .568 |
| Birmingham | 20 | 17 | .541 |
| Atlanta | 20 | 17 | .541 |
| Nashville | 19 | 18 | .514 |
| New Orleans | 14 | 23 | .378 |
| Chattanooga | 11 | 24 | .314 |

SPORTS CHAT

FRANKLIN, Ind.—Van Lingle Mungo may not have been a hero with the Brooklyn Dodgers, but he's going great guns and he is a hero with Camp Atterbury. He's blanked the Logansport Eagles 2-0 in his first start.

TOPEKA, Kan.—Topeka Field will give splendid protection at its swimming pool this year, all seven of its lifeguards having been either life guards or swimming instructors before entering the Army.

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—Robert Denman Cron, hero in November, 1943, of the John Hix syndicated newspaper strip, "Strange As It Seems," is here as a trainee of Co. B, 61st Med. Tng. Bn. Cron's

achievement which Hix used for his feature was that of playing half-back for his Piqua (Ohio) High School in every minute of all eight games in each of three seasons without once being injured.

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo.—Being manager-catcher for the ASFTC ball team proved too burdensome for Jimmy Bloodworth, former keystone sacker for Washington Nats and Detroit Tigers, so he quit both jobs. Henceforth, he will confine his activities to playing second base for the Engineers.

CAMP MCCOY, Wis.—The 76th Infantry here has just acquired a most versatile athlete in Sgt. Jim Harter, who came from Fort Sheridan, Ill. Harter is a catcher in baseball, is a crack basketball and softball player, bowls well, is tough in football and real rough as a boxer. Born in Montana, Harter rode the range as a youngster.

FORT SHERIDAN, Ill.—One of the STU trainees who recently completed basic training here is Parker Wallace who, as backstop for the Kansas City Monarchs, was battery mate for the renowned Satchel Paige. Wallace has been sent to the Recruit Reception Center for reassignment.

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—Kirby Higbe, who was a real work-horse on the mound for the Brooklyn Dodgers, is continuing his iron man stuff with the Military Police Platoon of the 86th Division. He recently came off a 10-mile hike, donned his baseball uniform, and pitched nine scoreless innings for the Camp Livingston team, fanning 17 and allowing but three hits.

TAMPA, Fla.—The Med Officers team at Drew Field is happy over its first triple play of the softball season. With bases filled, the batter tapped in front of the plate. Backstop fielded it, stepped on home plate for a force out and then tossed around the horn to nip the runners at second and third.

PLYMOUTH, Tex.—Action became so rough in a wrestling match between Strangler Brown and Muscle Man Greco at Rattlesnake Field that Col. William H. Cooke jumped into the ring to stop them. They tamed down for the colonel, but when the referee tried to break up some bar-room tactics, they ganged him and GT'd the mat with his profile.

| AMERICAN LEAGUE | W | L | Pct. | G.B. |
|-----------------|----|----|------|-------|
| St. Louis | 27 | 20 | .574 | |
| New York | 22 | 19 | .537 | 2 |
| Detroit | 24 | 23 | .511 | 3 |
| Chicago | 21 | 21 | .500 | 3½ |
| Boston | 22 | 23 | .489 | 4 |
| Philadelphia | 20 | 22 | .476 | 4½ |
| Cleveland | 21 | 25 | .457 | 5½ |
| Washington | 20 | 24 | .455 | 5½ |

| NATIONAL LEAGUE | W | L | Pct. | G.B. |
|-----------------|----|----|------|-------|
| St. Louis | 29 | 14 | .674 | |
| Pittsburgh | 24 | 16 | .600 | 3½ |
| Cincinnati | 24 | 19 | .558 | 5 |
| New York | 21 | 23 | .477 | 8½ |
| Philadelphia | 18 | 22 | .450 | 9½ |
| Boston | 21 | 26 | .447 | 10 |
| Brooklyn | 19 | 24 | .442 | 10 |
| Chicago | 13 | 25 | .342 | 13½ |

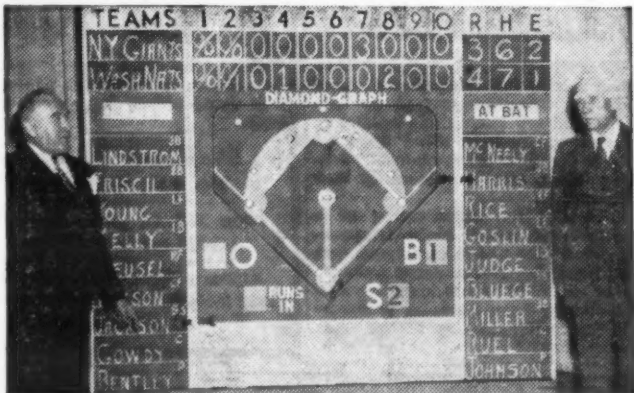
| INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE | W | L | Pct. |
|----------------------|----|----|------|
| Jersey City | 23 | 16 | .590 |
| Buffalo | 23 | 17 | .575 |
| Rochester | 23 | 18 | .561 |
| Baltimore | 20 | 17 | .541 |
| Toronto | 20 | 18 | .526 |
| Montreal | 19 | 19 | .500 |
| Syracuse | 13 | 22 | .371 |
| Newark | 12 | 26 | .316 |

| AMERICAN ASSOCIATION | W | L | Pct. |
|----------------------|----|----|------|
| Milwaukee | 33 | 11 | .750 |
| Columbus | 25 | 16 | .610 |
| St. Paul | 19 | 14 | .576 |
| Louisville | 24 | 18 | .571 |
| Toledo | 19 | 21 | .475 |
| Minneapolis | 16 | 23 | .410 |
| Kansas City | 13 | 27 | .325 |
| Indianapolis | 12 | 31 | .279 |

| PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE | W | L | Pct. |
|----------------------|----|----|------|
| Portland | 33 | 25 | .569 |
| San Francisco | 33 | 25 | .569 |
| Seattle | 33 | 26 | .559 |
| Hollywood | 33 | 26 | .559 |
| San Diego | 31 | 30 | .508 |
| Los Angeles | 27 | 31 | .466 |
| Oakland | 24 | 34 | .414 |
| Sacramento | 19 | 36 | .345 |

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Yanks Hit 'Em Here!

THIS TOPOGRAPHICAL map from British Information Service shows the northwest coast of France where Allied landings were made. The Yanks hit 'em along the Seine estuary between Le Havre and Cherbourg. Fighting has taken place around Caen. It is believed the Allies will attempt to isolate the Normandy peninsula and take Cherbourg.

The Invasion Coast

France

The cliffs on the French coast are seldom vertical, average 200 feet in height and are soil covered. Ancient stream lines cut through the cliffs and through these roads and railroads lead down to ports and beaches. There are also many paths convertible into practicable routes for motor vehicles.

Back of the cliffs the country of northern France is rolling, well cultivated and thick with towns and cities. Except for low mountains in Brittany and one low range in southern Normandy, no part of northern France exceeds 650 feet in elevation. The entire area is a network of hard-surfaced roads and railroads.

The good season in this part of France extends from the end of April to mid-September. Throughout this little rain, warm days and cool nights. The sea is then comparatively smooth, although the English Channel is seldom quiet. The ground of northern France is dry and visibility good to excellent.

After the September equinox, rain, drizzle and mist are usual. Since sunshine is very rare and the clouds low, the ground stays wet, slimy and muddy from September until after the March equinox breaks the rain.

According to unofficial published reports, German defenses in the area of northern France consist in the main of a defense zone running back ten miles from the coast, increased to 30 miles in some places. The civilian population, except for those engaged in essential services have been largely evacuated. Towns are garrisoned as local strong points connected by patrols.

Brittany

Brittany is a peninsula, approximately 35 miles long and 75 to 80 miles wide. Rock formations begin at Pte. de St. Gildas, just south of the mouth of the Loire and from that point and around the entire coast of Brittany the sea front is rugged, wild and broken with numerous bays and ports. Good beaches are interspersed between impassable rocks.

St. Nazaire, an important port, covers the mouth of the river Loire. Forty miles west of St. Nazaire, Quiberon Bay provides a great natural harbor protected by Pharus Peninsula, whose shore has beaches interspersed with rocks and cliffs. Reefs and submerged rocks off shore make the sea hazardous. The shore west of Quiberon Peninsula also has excellent beaches, but here again the sea approaches are made difficult by reefs. Quiberon Bay has an inner bay, Morbihan, 11 miles long and 6 miles wide, entered by a channel only a half-mile in width and not suitable for vessels of large tonnage.

The great harbor of Brest near the point of the peninsula lies in a region whose coast line is unusually rocky and difficult, broken to the south by the Bay of Douarnenez, which presents a nine-mile width of excellent beaches, both on the Bay itself, and on the outer side of the peninsula between Audierne and Penmarc'h. The Bay of Douarnenez is, however, exposed to the west winds to such an extent that ideal weather is necessary for small boat navigation. The north side of the Bay of Douarnenez is heavily fortified and constitutes part of the coast defenses of the city of Brest. Behind Douarnenez rise the Montagnes Noires to the height of approximately 1,000 feet of rough terrain providing excellent defenses. North of Brest from Lannion to Lannion the 50-mile coast-line is featured by great quantities of off-shore rocks.

From Lannion east to the Bay of Mt. St. Michel 90 miles of beaches are interspersed with occasional rocks and cliffs, the beaches at Dinard and in the bay itself being particularly good. Directly north of this area lie the Channel Islands, held by the enemy, which must be by-passed or taken by any force approaching the north coast of Brittany.

Normandy

The western extremity of Normandy is featured by the Cotentin Peninsula which is lined with extensive and good beaches, nearly all of which lie at the bottom of cliffs. On the east side of the peninsula the cliffs are low, rising to considerable height and steepness at the north end. These cliffs are all included in the defensive work of Cherbourg.

From the Cotentin Peninsula to the mouth of the Seine, 60 miles away, stretch the finest resort beaches in France, broken only occasionally by rocks. Back of this stretch of coast there are no natural terrain obstacles.

Extending northeast from the mouth of the Seine to the mouth of the Somme, high cliffs mark the coast line for 75 miles. These cliffs are broken down in places and sometimes covered with trees. Roads leading to the beaches through the cliffs are in most cases narrow defiles. Three excellent harbors lie in this area, the largest at Le Havre, and smaller ones at Fecamp and Dieppe. Beyond Le Havre the coast line turns to the north, the cliffs come close to the sea, affording narrow, but good, beaches, especially good at Etretat and Le Treport. Approaching the mouth of the Somme the cliffs recede to the sea and broad areas of sand border the river.

The entire region between the Seine and the Somme averages no more than 50 miles from the English coast. The first considerable ridge lies inland 30 miles on the line between Rouen and Amiens.

North of the Somme to Boulogne, a distance of 35 miles, the low sandy coast line is bordered by sand dunes. Again north from Boulogne the coast is generally low, but the cliffs touch the shore again at Cap Griz Nez, where they rise to the height of 165 feet at the spot nearest to England, 16 1/2 miles away across the Straights of Dover. Each side of Cap Griz Nez has broad and sandy beaches.

Between Calais and Dunkirk the coast is low and sandy, the best beaches fronting Gravelines and Dunkirk. Shortly behind the beaches begins a network of inland canals. Furthermore, from Calais to the Belgian border, inundations are possible at many places lying slightly below sea level.

West France (Northern Sector)

The rocky promontory of Cape St. Gildas covers the mouth of the Loire. South of the Cape the beaches are good and no natural barriers protect them from the rear. The Port of Bourgneuf is small and the region has a characteristically high surf. South of Bourgneuf the coast is bordered by marshes, but the power of the surf is reduced by the shelter afforded by the Island of Noirmoutier. From Bourgneuf to Les Sables de l'Olonne, a distance of 35 miles, excellent beaches face the sea. South of Les Sables de l'Olonne lie extensive salt marshes crossed by dikes and canals which extend almost to the Breton Sound. The Sound, although shallow, has channels run-

ning to La Rochelle and La Pallice. Both towns have good beaches, protected by the Ile de Re and the Ile d'Oleron. La Rochelle, La Pallice and Rochefort are heavily defended and from them good highways and railroads lead to the interior.

South of Ile d'Oleron is Manumusson Sound, whose wide beaches are protected by the Ile d'Oleron. Just beyond this is Pte. de la Coubre, which covers the mouth of the river Gironde. On the north bank of the river's wide mouth, wide beaches with easy access to the interior stretch for 18 miles, although the first eight miles are beaten by heavy surf.

Southern Section

The southern section of the west coast of France extends from the Gironde River southward to Spain. The entrance to the Gironde is covered by coast artillery fortifications and possibly mined as well. South of this fortified area the coast line is perfectly straight, with no bays whatever for 68 miles as far as Arcachon. Thereafter, it continues straight for another 75 miles to the mouth of the Adour. This stretch of 153 miles consists of continuous and wide beaches noted for exceedingly rough surf, stronger in the north and gradually decreasing in power to the south. Dunes behind the beaches average 200 to 250 feet in height and behind them flat country extends inland. Much of this land is marshy; some of it has been treated with drainage ditches. Vegetation is sparse and cultivation rare.

The harbor at Arcachon lies on a wide bay with a circumference of more than 50 miles. The bay has wide beaches sheltered from the surf by Cape Ferret at its entrance.

South of the Adour 17 miles of rocky coast with rough, but passable, terrain behind it reaches to the Spanish border. A few good beaches, notably that at Biarritz, are interspersed between the rocks. Behind this coast line difficult mountain territory begins in the foothills of the Pyrenees.

South France (Mediterranean Coast)

The Mediterranean coast of France is divided into three natural segments. The southwest coast extends from the Spanish border to Cette. The central section from Cette to Frejus and the eastern section from Frejus to the Italian border.

Southwest Section

The southwest section of the Mediterranean coast of France offers the principal avenue to the Garonne Valley and southwestern France. This coast line extends for 125 miles, covered at the south end by the Pyrenees and at the north end by the Garrigues Mountains. Opposite the center is the valley of the Aude, with easy access to the Garonne Valley.

Except near the Pyrenees the coast is low and bordered by dunes, which, in turn, are backed by marsh lands. Near the Spanish border Banyules-sur-Mer has a small bay and beach. Two miles beyond, Port Vendres presents an excellent harbor covered to the south by Cape Bear, which rises to a height of 655 feet and has been fortified.

To the north of the harbor, Fort St. Elme stands on high ground. Just beyond is the small port of Colliure. Hills behind both ports are covered with gun placements designed to fire over the towns into the sea.

A good beach fronts Argeles-sur-

Mer 12 miles from Spain, and another beach seven miles north fronts Elme, which stands on high ground. Eight miles further lies the important road center of Perpignan seven miles from the sea coast. Swamps cover most of the distance between the sea and the town.

North of Perpignan, between Canet and Le Barcarès, neither roads nor beaches front the sea, but salt marshes extend to the shore. North of Le Barcarès ten miles of dunes border the beach and between the dunes and the mainland, swamps two to three miles wide protect the country. At the northern end of the swamp, Cape Leucate is covered with rocks. North of the cape an excellent beach begins.

From the cape to La Nouvelle the dunes are again backed by swamps as they are from La Nouvelle to Narbonne, which lies nine miles inland. All of this area from Perpignan to Narbonne is covered by the Corbières Mountains, which are crossed by neither railroads nor highways, although numerous trails crisscross the hills.

The beach between Narbonne and Beziers is good and the country between is thickly cultivated and cut by irrigation ditches and by the Aude and Orb Rivers, in addition to several smaller streams. A similar coast line continues to Agde, whose small harbor is defended by an island fortress and by fortifications on an extinct volcano which rises 350 feet above the town.

From Agde to Cette beaches and dunes extend for 15 miles. Behind the dunes a salt lake from three to five miles wide separates the beach from the mainland. Cette has a good port protected by a single 550-foot hill.

Central Section

East from Cette to the Rhone River delta the coast line consists of tongues of land covered with dunes and backed by lakes and marshes. Difficult delta of the Rhone is marshy and infested with mosquitoes. In all of this territory, through the winter and well into the spring, the Mistral, the strong wind of this section, stirs up clouds of chalk dust and sand which reduce visibility. Just to the east lies Port-de-Bouc at the western end of the swamp at Berre, six miles wide and 14 miles long, which is practically impassable.

Marseilles, the chief port of France, lies at the bottom of an amphitheater of fortified hills. Both sides of the harbor are protected by rocky shores and a few beaches. The narrow streets of the town would provide excellent cover for a defending force.

Six miles south of Marseilles, Cape Marseilleveyre rises to a height of 1,300 feet, where the coast turns to the east. This coast, as far as Toulon, has several good beaches, notably at La Ciotat, halfway between.

Toulon, France' chief naval base, has a well-protected fine harbor. Beyond the town the coast is rocky and has small harbors at St. Cyr and Bandol.

Fifteen miles east of Toulon, Hyeres has an excellent harbor protected by the fortified Isles of Hyeres within artillery range of excellent beaches or the mainland. The town is 140 miles from Corsican airfields.

East of Hyeres, good to excellent beaches front Le Levant, Cavalaire and St. Tropez. Frejus, western-most town of this sector, has excellent beaches.

Eastern Section

The eastern section of the south coast of France, extending from Frejus to the Italian border, has magnificent beaches and good weather throughout the entire year. From

these beaches, however, no good routes lead inland and the coast is bounded by mountains with steep slopes.

Belgium

Belgium faces the North Sea with a sea frontier of only 42 miles. The coast line is low, bordered by sand dunes or dikes and presents excellent beaches over its entire extent. Behind the coast the country is flat, at the western tip near Veurne, being seven feet below sea level. From the coast as far as the River Meuse the land rises gradually in a fairly constant inclination and then ascends rapidly, forming the rough Ardennes region of the southeast. All the important rivers and their tributaries flow northeast, the Lys and the Scheldt joining near Ghent and the Sambre and the Meuse near Namur.

The country is densely populated and the inhabitants rather evenly distributed. It is crossed in all directions by railroads and hard-surface roads.

Coast

Northwest of the French boundary, sand dunes line wonderful beaches as far as Nieuport, eight miles from the border. The dunes have an average depth of a mile and a maximum depth of one and a half miles and rise 70 to 100 feet above the sea. Eight miles from Nieuport the harbor of Ostende is protected by dikes constructed of rough stone blocks of tremendous size, rising 30 feet in height and, averaging 100 feet in width. Elsewhere on this coast the dikes seldom attain a narrower width than 60 feet. Frequently wide stairs descend from the dikes to broad beaches. Northwest of Ostende lie seven miles more of dunes with an average width of only one-quarter of a mile, while at Wenduine-sur-Mer, jetties approximately 200 yards apart, project into the ocean as part of a sand control program all the way to Zeebrugge. At Zeebrugge an artificial port has been constructed.

From Zeebrugge to Bruges, eight miles inland, there is a ship canal capable of handling ships of deep draft. A second canal, also for ocean-going ships, parallels the Dutch border. The town of Heyst lies across the ship canal from Zeebrugge and is protected by a mile of dike. Thence to the Dutch border, six miles of dunes averaging a mile in depth complete the coast line. Only one town, Knocke-sur-Mer, lies between Heyst and the frontier.

Inland from the coast, canals lie parallel to the dikes and dunes at a distance of from one to two miles and constitute excellent tank obstacles. Back of the coast also are many villages, stone farm houses, orchards and small woods, which together with a network of smaller canals, can afford excellent cover for defending force. In general, the weather is the same as that of northern France, offering clear skies and dry ground from the end of April to mid-September. From September to the vernal equinox, rain, mist, low-hanging clouds and mud are normal.

The principal fortification of Belgium lies at Antwerp and though originally intended as a precaution against invasion from Germany, it was later extended for all-around defense. Its inner line of forts lies approximately six miles from the center of the city. The outer line, which is modern, rings the city approximately 15 miles from the center. This ring was still in construction in 1939.



YANKS assault troops were eager to go. "We're the boys to do it!" they yelled a few hours later as they dropped from gliders or fought their way up shell-pocked beaches.

175,000 U. S.-Produced Planes; One-Fifth Have Gone To Allies

WASHINGTON—More than 175,000 planes were produced in the United States between March 11, 1941, when the Lend-Lease Act was passed, and April 1, 1944, it was announced by President Roosevelt this week.

Of these, the President noted, about one-fifth, or more than 33,000, had gone to the Allies, 7,000 for cash

and the others on lend-lease. 4,400 execute turns and maintain heading all on one engine. Also they have learned to land the plane in half the distance once considered safe.

Figures released by the Air Forces headquarters and the RAF Bomber Command in London state that more than 118,940 tons of bombs were dropped on Axis Europe, from the Balkans to the Baltic in May. This was accomplished in 94,000 sorties. The figures show that more than two and a quarter tons of bombs per minute were dropped to shatter Axis defense.

During the month Allied planes operating from Great Britain and the Mediterranean destroyed 1,877 enemy aircraft against the loss of 1,517.

These figures do not include several thousand tons of bombs dropped by planes of the American and British Tactical Air Force planes.

Details of how the American skip-bombing technique, used so satisfactorily against the Japanese, has been built up, was revealed by Lt. Gen. George C. Kenney, Allied Air Commander in the South Pacific.

"Mast-height bombing," was not new, having been used by the British and Germans to some extent, but the American version was developed to a fine art by Maj. William Benn, of the Fifth Air Force. The B-17 Fortresses, while effective, did not have enough forward fire power to take out the deck defensive power of the Japanese boats. It was too much of a job to remodel the Fortress, and the A-20 Havocs did not have the range or carrying ability.

So they decided to use the Mitchell bomber, removed the bomb nose and substituted four 40-caliber machine guns in the nose and two more "Packages" of two 50's each on each side of the fuselage. This terrific fire power enabled them to sweep clean the Jap decks while going in for their low-level bombing attacks. In the Battle of the Bismark Sea the revised Mitchells sank ten Jap vessels, scoring better than 50 per cent direct hits.

Marauder Okayed

The AAF Training Command notes that the B-26 Marauder, once dubbed "the widow-maker" by student pilots, has now come to be regarded by qualified airmen as a plane to be feared only by its enemies. In six months training period at Dodge City, Kans., there has not been a single fatal accident.

New success with the plane is attributed to teaching newly-commissioned pilots to know the plane in an intensive 10-weeks course. Students have learned to hold altitude,

Now Paid in Guilders

NEW GUINEA—Financial worries of doughboys fighting in Dutch New Guinea were greatly eased this week when the new Netherlands East Indies currency became available for pay. The new bills, which are printed in the United States, are in denominations of one to 25 guilders, one guilder being worth 53 cents. The agreement between the United States and the Netherlands government conforms to similar arrangements being made to pay soldiers in Europe.

BOOKS

Sailors of Fortune

By Colin Mackenzie
(E. P. Dutton & Co., New York. \$2.50)
Colin Mackenzie couldn't pass an Army physical. He tried after Pearl Harbor—but the medics said no dice. His heart played an off-beat tune. So Mackenzie joined the Merchant Marine as an engine room wiper and gave his ticker a real work-out.

The old tub he signed on was torpedoed. Mackenzie was rescued. The boat that saved him was torpedoed, and the next one. In 2 hours Colin was torpedoed and rescued three times on his first trip. He was hospitalized in Trinidad, suffering a shattered leg, shock and exposure. His injuries didn't bother him as much as the food he had to eat.

He went back to the States and was sent out on a lecture tour. He lectured at war plants, got married and was living the life of Riley—only he wanted to go back to sea. He did—and ended up by taking part in the invasion of Sicily and Italy.

A very curious young man, he jumped ship during both invasions and went ashore. He saw some fighting—but was more worried about being picked up by an MP than about the enemy. He hitch-hiked a ride with a general and still carries a twenty-franc note autographed on the ride by Lt. Gen. Omar Bradley. In brief, Mackenzie really got around.

As Quentin Reynolds points out in the introduction, Mackenzie isn't too accurate about details—but the minor inaccuracies are easily forgiven, thanks to the pace of the book.

It's an easy book to read. Colin never gets fancy. His friends live for you—they play poker and like all poker players are kings one day and paupers the next; they enjoy the company of a woman and find comfort in a jug.

The book fills a rather wide gap in war reporting. During the early days of the war the Merchant Marine, manned in many cases by armed forces rejectees, took a helluva beating. But they delivered supplies. Newspaper accounts listed the torpedoed ships and the casualties—but even the most imaginative person can't picture the drama of the torpedoing. Mackenzie does: "I must have fallen asleep almost immediately, uneasy dream-filled slumber full of submarines and torpedoes. In the midst of which we were hit. The torpedo must have struck right under me and one of these freak blasts deposited me, mattress, bunk and all over a hundred feet from the ship. Whether asleep or stunned I will never know, but my first sensation was water, wet as hell, coming into bed with me."

Radio Roundup

Johnny Mercer To Offer Radio Show

Starring Johnny Mercer, noted songwriter and rising young comedian, Chesterfield is presenting a new radio show, with opening night set for next Monday, June 12.

Titled "The Chesterfield Music Shop," the show will be on the air five nights a week, all NBC stations, every Monday through Friday, and will present five up-to-the-minute musical comedy variety features—the Star of the Week, the Song of the Week, the Picture of the Week, Hollywood previews, new personalities and current bits of novel and outstanding radio entertainment.

Hollywood being the musical comedy talent center of the world, The Chesterfield Music Shop will be produced there so that stars of the screen will be available to put over Mercer's new song hits effectively.

Mercer, who has written score for such outstanding pictures as "Hollywood Hotel," "Rhythm on the Range," "Birth of the Blues" and "Jezebel," is author of 53 song-hits such as "Jeepers Creepers," "Strip Polka," "Skylark," "And the Angels Sing," "Dearly Beloved" and "Old Black Magic."

Bunk Fatigue Programs: (Monday, June 12, through Saturday, June 17, inclusive.)

NBC: (All times are EWT). Monday: 6:15 p. m., Serenade to America; 8:30 p. m., Voice of Firestone; 10:30 p. m., Dr. I. Q.; 12 m., The Telephone Hour. Tuesday: 7 p. m., Chesterfield Music Shop; 7:30 p. m., The Ronald Colman Show; 11:30 p. m., Johnny Presents; 1:15 a. m., Songs by Sheila. Wednesday: 7:15 p. m., News of the World; 9:30 p. m., Mr. District Attorney; 11:30 p. m., Arthur Hopkins Presents; 2 a. m., Los Angeles Blitzmore. Thursday: 6:45 p. m., Lowell Thomas; 7:30 p. m., The Irresistibles; 9 p. m., Kraft Music Hall; 10 p. m., Abbott and Costello; 10:30 p. m., March of Time; 11:30 p. m., Music of the New World. Friday: 6:40 p. m., Clem McCarthy; 8 p. m., Cities Service Concert; 9 p. m., Waltz Time; 10:30 p. m., Colgate Sports Newsreel; 11:30 p. m., Author's Playhouse. Saturday: 6:30 p. m., The People's War; 8:30 p. m., Truth or Consequences; 10 p. m., Palmolive Party; 1 a. m., Musical Americana.

Army Hit Kit

May Edition

I Wonder What's Become of Sally

(A Favorite Gang Song)

I wonder what's become of Sally,
That old gal of mine?
The sunshine's missing from our alley
Ever since the day Sally went away.
No matter what she is, wherever she may be,
If no one wants her now
Please send her home to me.
I'll always welcome back my Sally,
That old gal of mine!
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(2) Red River Valley

(A Hill Billy Favorite)

From this valley they say you are going;
We will miss your bright eyes and sweet smile,
For they say you are taking the sunshine
That brightens our pathway awhile.
Chorus:
Then come sit here awhile if you leave us;
Do not hasten to bid us adieu,
But remember the Red River Valley
And the cowboy who loved you so true.
2nd Verse:
I have promised you, darling, that never
Will a word from my lips cause you pain;
And my life, it will be yours forever,
If you only will love me again.
Repeat Chorus
3rd Verse:
For a long, long time I've been waiting
For those dear words you never would say,
But at last all my fond hopes have vanished,
For they say you are going away.
Repeat Chorus
4th Verse:
Won't you think of the valley you're leaving?
Oh how lonely, how sad it will be.
Oh think of the fond heart you're breaking,
And the grief you are causing me to see.
Repeat Chorus

(3) Take It Easy

(A New Rumba Favorite)

Take it easy, take it easy,
Don't you know it's more romantic when the dance is slow?
Take it easy, take it easy,
What's the good of feeling high when all the lights are low?
Take it easy, take it easy,
We've got lots of time ahead of us, the night is young.
Take it easy, take it easy,
Don't you know this music should be swayed instead of swung?
Take your time, take your time, dance it with ease.
Take your time, take your time, slow, if you please.
Second Chorus:
Take it easy, take it easy,
Don't you know you're not supposed to make a rumba jump?
Take it easy, take it easy.
If you don't I fear that our romance will hit a bump.
Take it easy, take it easy,
Don't you know it's time for romance when the music's sweet?
Take it easy, take it easy,
You should really try to make your heart control your feet.
Take your time, take your time, dance it with ease.
Take your time, take your time, slow, if you please.
Third Chorus:
Take it easy, take it easy,
When I'm in a mood that's dreamy, must you Lindy Hop?
Take it easy, take it easy,
Don't forget that I'm your partner, not a traffic cop.
Take it easy, take it easy,
Is there any fun in running in a one-man race?
Take it easy, take it easy,
If you don't you're gonna meet the carpet face to face.
Take your time, take your time, dance it with ease.
Take your time, take your time, slow, if you please.
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(4) Carolina Moon

(A Memory Lane Favorite)

Carolina Moon, keep shining,
Shining on the one who waits for me.
Carolina Moon, I'm pining,
Pining for the place I long to be.
How I'm hoping tonight you'll go,
Go to the right window,
Scatter your light, say I'm alright, please do.
Tell her that I'm blue and lonely,
Dreamy Carolina Moon.
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(5) I'll Be Around

(Current Song Hit)

I'll be around no matter how you treat me now;
I'll be around from now on.
Your latest love can never last, and when it's past,
I'll be around when he's gone.
Goodbye again, and if you find a love like mine,
Just now and then
Drop a line to say you're feeling fine.
And when things go wrong, perhaps you'll see you're meant for me.
So I'll be around when he's gone.
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(6) While Strolling Through the Park One Day

(A Waltz Favorite of Yesteryear)

While strolling through the park one day,
In the merry month of May,
I was taken by surprise by a pair of roguish eyes;
In a moment my poor heart was stole away.
A smile was all she gave me.
Of course, it made me happy as could be.
Ah! I immediately raised my hat,
And finally she remarked.
I never shall forget the lovely afternoon
I met her at the fountain in the park.
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(7) Honeysuckle Rose

Every honey bee fills with jealousy
When they see you out with me.
I don't blame them, goodness knows,
Honeysuckle Rose.
When you're passin' by, flowers droop and sigh,
And I know the reason why:
You're much sweeter, goodness knows, Honeysuckle Rose.
Don't buy sugar; you just have to touch my cup.
You're my sugar; it's sweet when you stir it up.
When I'm takin' sips from your tasty lips,
Seems the honey fairly drips;
You're confection, goodness knows, Honeysuckle Rose.
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(8) Don't Sweetheart Me

(A New Radio Song Hit)

Don't "sweetheart" me if you don't mean it;
Don't talk sweet words if they're not true.
Don't tear my heart like it was paper,
Because my heart loves only you.
You can't go 'round "sweethearting" others,
And then pretend that I'm yours exclusively.
Love must be true; mean what you're saying;
Unless you do, don't "sweetheart" me.
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Movie Stuff

That admirals are as human as GI Joes, despite gold braid and autocratic powers, was discovered by Randolph Scott on his recent two-month entertainment tour of South Pacific bases.

Scott tells this story:
Admiral Halsey granted him an interview at his headquarters, during which a mess boy brought in a pot of coffee and cups on a tray.
"When that colored boy saw me," said Scott, "he shoved the tray onto the admiral's desk, pushing some maps to the floor, fished out a dollar bill and said:
"Lawdy, Mistur Scott, will you all autograph my Sho't Sno'teh'?"

Aghast, Scott bent to rescue the maps, only to find the admiral overlooking the mess boy's breach of discipline and chuckling:
"And after you sign his Short Snorter, you can sign mine, too."

It will be a first hand information of the subject to be dealt with in RKO Radio's "The Master Race," that Osa Massen will bring to an important role in it. Her parents are trapped in Nazi-held Denmark.

CHINESE colleges have registered an increase of more than 50,000 students over the pre-war figures.



LINDA Darnell has what it takes, obviously, and has a chance to show what she's got in "Summer Storm."



—Pvt. Chas. Cartwright, ERTC, Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo.
"It's a condensed refresher course covering the entire 17 weeks' basic!"

4-Leaf Clover, Horseshoe Wanted for Pvt. Dibble!

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.—No matter where he goes, nor how well he behaves himself, Pvt. Stafford R. Dibble, Co. F, 94th Cavalry, 14th Armored Division, always ends up in trouble.

"Things just happen to me!" he innocently explains as he gets in one minute ahead of reveille with a Munchausen story—and facts to prove it.

At Camp Chaffee, Ark., he spent a night in town and returned wearing a pair of civilian trousers. He had a faint recollection of having been hit and borrowing the pants from some kind-hearted stranger.

In Nashville, he fell off the back of a truck and spent his leave out cold. When he got to Nashville on his next pass, someone slugged him, took his money and blouse, and left him to return to camp without a uniform.

Private Dibble has had such bad luck with blouses in fact that he's considering petitioning the War Department for permission to dispense with them entirely. Once he borrowed one from a friend and was promptly run over by an automobile. The blouse was ripped to shreds, but Dibble wasn't hurt at all, and he had a hard time explaining.

Later he borrowed a T/4's blouse; this time he had to explain to the MP's what a sergeant's blouse was doing on a man with a private's pass.

The pay-off came when he'd had to spend three lonely weeks at Camp Forrest, Tenn., repairing a tank which had broken down on maneuvers. He discovered the day he left that his wife, a WAC, had been assigned to Camp Forrest three weeks before.

Cpl. Art Gates, Keesler Field, Miss.

Giggy



ALL PRESENT OR ACCOUNTED FOR

A call for a detail for a recent Saturday night, which happened to be his birthday, came to Pvt. Nate Lakovitz, of the QM School at CAMP LEE, Va. He was escorted into town to make sure he didn't fall on the "detail," which was to clean up an area in front of the local USO. When he began to work he was amazed to find himself surrounded by young hostesses who took him inside, where a group of friends, a huge birthday cake, candles in all, and a lovely date for the evening were waiting. Only then he learned that his former employers, the Comet Model Airplane and Supply Company, Chicago, had sent along a letter, enclosing a good-sized check and asking that Nate might be suitably entertained on his birthday.

A weird rattle developed recently in the public address system of NEWPORT FIELD, Ark., so that every time S/Sergt. Bill Gordon, Special Service Office announcer, spoke, his voice came out like a Ubangi selling cokes in the Brooklyn ball park. Corp. Bob Hollis, electrician, finally shinnied up the loud-speaker pole and found a nest, full of eggs, right against the trumpet of the speaker. Corporal Hollis walked into the Service Club, set down the nest and eggs in front of Sergeant Gordon and said: "There, brother, you were getting the bird—in person."

Birds also came into the limelight at CAMP FORREST, Tenn., where field artillery liaison pilots had built a special landing strip for their small planes. One morning it was discovered that a field thrush had built its home in the approach to the runway. The pilots put stakes around the nest and instructed the

guard that it wasn't to be disturbed under any circumstances.

Pvt. Robert Rainey Lunn, basic trainee at KEESLER FIELD, Miss., complains that Army life doesn't give him time to keep up with his letter writing. While he spends a good many of his spare hours on it he is now something like 25,000 letters behind. Lunn was the "Talking Blues Boy" of the "Grand Ole Opry" radio show. When his listeners throughout the country learned he had gone into the Army they showered him with letters.

An unusual distinction came to S/Sergt. Roy J. Wilson of CAMP ELLIS, Ill., when the opportunity was presented to rescue a sailor. Engineers from the camp were fighting the Mississippi flood near Quincy, Ill. Wilson had an assault boat out picking up people who had been surrounded by the flood waters. He came on a Coast Guardsman—up in a tree.

Pvt. Leo Poma, of CAMP GRANT, Ill., must have "something." Arrested for being AWOL, he wound up not only with a 12-hour pass, but with a lovely bride. Poma left the camp without permission, met his boyhood sweetheart and was on the way to the minister to get the knot tied, when he was picked up by an MP and asked for his pass. All he had in the way of a pass was a marriage license, so he wound up at Fort Wayne, Ind., in dungarees with a big "P" on his back. Fortunately, the provost marshal, Capt. Vernon C. Bailey, is romantically inclined. When he heard the circumstances he not only arranged for the wedding to take place in the post theater, where he acted as best man,

Ballots by Sept. 15 to Men in Ninth Service

FORT DOUGLAS, UTAH—Applications for soldier ballots at all Army installations within the geographical limits of the Ninth Service Command for the November federal elections will be distributed not later than September 15. It was announced today by Lt. Col. J. O. Wiley, Service Command Soldier Voting Officer at headquarters here.

The Ninth Service Command, headed by Maj. Gen. David McCoach, Jr., consists of Montana, Washington, Oregon, California, Arizona, Utah, Idaho and Nevada.

As Chief of the newly formed Soldier Voting Branch, Colonel Wiley explained that Voting Officers will be

but also got a 12-hour pass for the honeymoon.

Panda patron, mortician, professional skater and boxer, football forecaster, sculptor and now flying student. Those are just a few of the abilities of Pfc. S. P. Lazar, of the Radio Mechanics School at TRAUZ FIELD, Wis. A stuffed panda, which has been with him all through his two years of Army life, is Lazar's particular pet. The panda sits perched on a shelf even during inspections and is said to show his teeth and growl at GIs who are giggled and lower the barrack rating.

Capt. Ernest T. Feigle, medical officer at ALAMOGORDO FIELD, N. M., must make his lectures realistic. In the first one of a series on "Shock and the Care of Wounds" one GI fainted dead away. At lecture No. 2, when he was demonstrating arterial bleeding, another soldier tumbled over and had to be carried out. Captain Eagle seems to have eased off a bit in his realism after that—there were no more faintings.

appointed at all posts, camps and stations within the Command to provide soldiers with material for registering as well as the applications for an absentee ballot. Ballots will go directly to the Secretary of State at the soldier's home state.



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Corporal Bonaparte's Wrong Says Sergeant Bernstein

CAMP RUCKER, Ala.—Sgt. Elliott Bernstein disagrees with Cpl. Napoleon Bonaparte as to the anatomical part on which an army moves. For Bernstein is the chiropodist for the whole 66th Panther Division and it's his job to care for the approximately 24,000 feet on which this part of the army gets around.

"Keep 'em walking" is Bernstein's motto and since he has been Division chiropodist foot trouble in his own regiment, the 264th, has dropped from 64 percent to three percent.

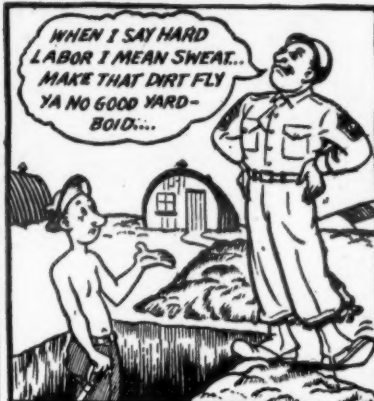
Bernstein came to the 66th when the Division was activated last year and was the first recruit in the 264th Infantry's regimental dispensary. But he was a doctor of chiropody from Northwestern and an alumnus of Temple and Penn. It wasn't long before "Doc" Bernstein was curing many cases of foot trouble and he has succeeded in making the whole Division more foot conscious.

Bernstein has also assisted in preventing other kinds of trouble which affect the feet by maintaining cleanliness in showers where ringworm and athlete's foot sometimes prevail. The success of his military "practice" is revealed in the words

of Maj. Frank W. Riley, who says "The Navy keeps 'em sailing, the Air corps keeps 'em flying, and Bernstein keeps 'em walking."

ONE OF Japan's highest military decorations is known as the "Order of the Golden Kite." Its significance is tied up with Japanese mythology and Emperor worship.

Pvt. Eightball



The Mess Line

Even the invasion had to go through channels.

Look here, waiter, I found a hair in this turtle soup! Well, well! So the turtle and the hair finally came in together!

The main trouble with the straight and narrow is that there's no place to park.

Fa, does bigamy mean that a man has one wife too many? Not necessarily, my son. A man can have one wife too many and still not be a bigamist.

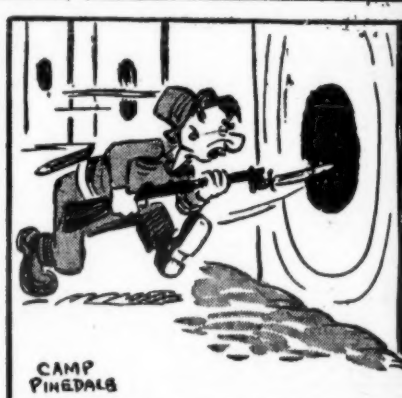
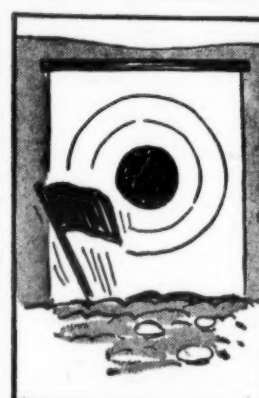
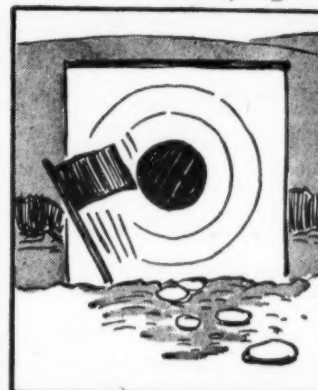
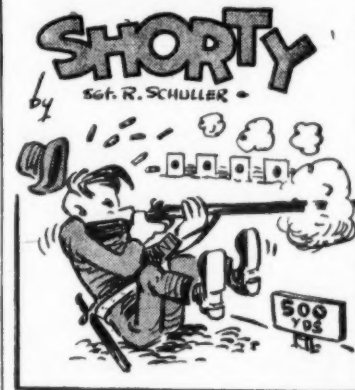
Girls who offer no resistance Often lead a rich existence.

Sergeant reporting to his CO: I think we've got their morale a little too high, sir. They want to know if it's true that some day they might have to return to civilian life.

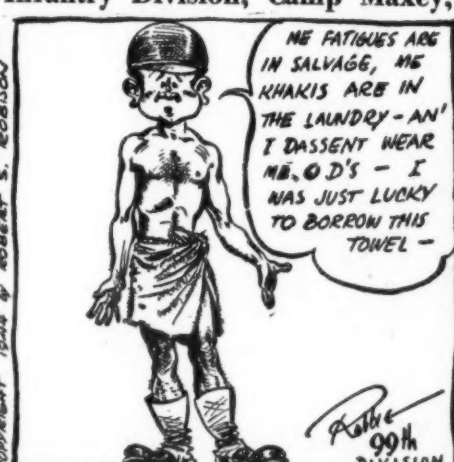
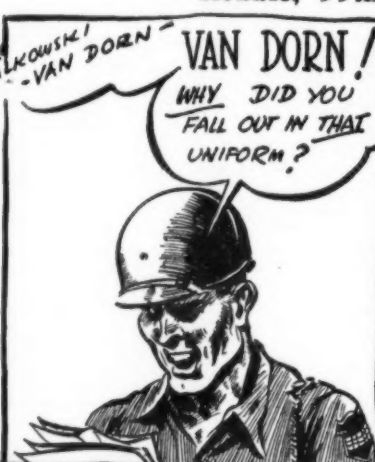
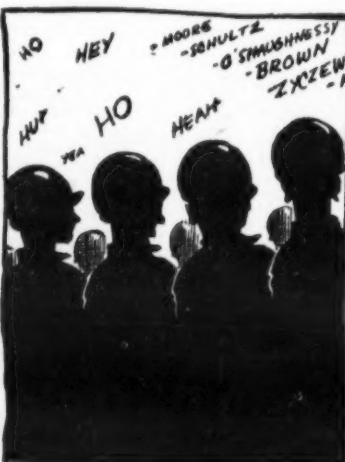
Are you a one-arm driver? Naw, I take a cab and use both.

Little Willie put his baby brother in the ice-box. When his mother found the little darling there, He'd become a frigid heir!

She: Is my dress too short? He: It's either too short or you're in it too far!



Private Van Dorn



Pvt. Goldie Brick



Free Pocket Calendars Offered to GI's by Lawrence & Lawrence

FORT WORTH, TEX.—Fifty thousand pocket calendars, dated from July, 1944 to July 1945, are being distributed free to servicemen by Lawrence & Lawrence.

Printed on tough playing-card stock the calendars will fit any billfold. A postcard or letter requesting one addressed to Lawrence & Lawrence, Burk Burnett Bldg., Fort Worth 2, Tex., will bring one of these handy calendars by return mail.

Lower Cable Rates To Japanese-Held Yanks

WASHINGTON, D. C.—American Red Cross has completed arrangements for reduced rates on cable service to prisoners of war and internees held by the Japanese in the Far East. The lower rates went into effect June 1.

The new cost for a 10-word message is \$6.00 plus ten per cent tax, or \$6.60. Cablegrams to the Far East formerly cost approximately \$16.00.

A limit of one nonemergency message per year has been set.

Speaker to Call For 'Honorable Corporal'

CAMP BEALE, Calif.—With the DEMC section here, he's just plain Cpl. John S. Steelhammer, but back home in Salem, Oregon, when the State Legislature convenes, it'll be "The Honorable Corporal Steelhammer."

Steelhammer recently was reelected to the State Legislature for his fourth term, having received permission of The Adjutant General to seek reelection and his name went on the ballot through petitions of constituents. He may be given a leave of absence to attend the sessions.

By Sgt. R. Schuller, Camp Pinedale, Calif., Unit of 4th AAF

Robbie, 99th Infantry Division, Camp Maxey, Tex.

Cpl. Dean "Doc" Davis, Sheppard Field, Tex.

The Yanks?

Iceland

army, no navy, no night in midsummer—
with what it doesn't have.
Sitting guard over this island in the North Atlantic, they have many surprises to write home about—neat all-electric fishing towns, the

Great Geyser, purple - shadowed fjords and white glaciers glistening under the aurora borealis, summer sunlight and winter midmorning sunrises.

Yanks in Iceland have heard tall tales of Viking ancestry speak the language of Leif Ericson, who discovered America 944 years ago. They have eaten fresh Icelandic salmon and smoked lamb and skyr (a fancy cottage cheese). They have felt high wind and lightning weather changes. They have worn out their shoes on rock. They have found that dogs are outlawed from the capital and family names are against the law. The Icelander's last name consists of a father's first name plus son's boy or dottir for a girl.

Proud of the bigness of their own country, Americans are surprised to find little Iceland a full-fledged nation. It is smaller (39,700 square miles) than Virginia, and nine-tenths is uninhabited. It has only half as many people (121,600) as metropolitan Richmond. Yet it has its own language, its own literature of sagas which American college students read, its own ancient parliament—called the Althing—which was 850 years ahead of the U. S. Congress, and one of the world's leading fishing industries.

Airplanes and submarines have forced this neutral island into the role of northern sentry for Atlantic sea and air lanes, and of weather watcher for the climatic cauldron that cooks up storms for Europe. Iceland had been united with Denmark since 380. But on the day after the Nazis moved into Denmark, the Althing suspended the Danish king's power. The next month British forces moved in to protect the island; then in 1941 the Yanks took over. In May, 1944, Icelanders will

decide by vote whether to retain their kingdom or become a republic.

The island is a volcano-lighted beacon in the North Atlantic marking the Arctic Circle. Yanks there are 2,400 miles from Boston, 490 miles from the British Isles, 600 miles from Norway. At Iceland's west coast bases they are only 175 miles from the nearest part of gigantic Greenland.

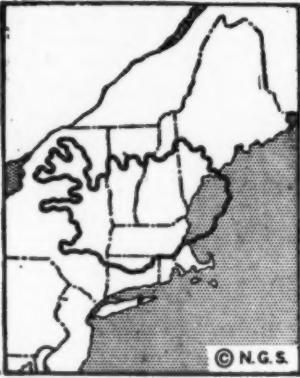
Yanks on leave gravitate toward Reykjavik, the capital and only city, where a third of the people live. On Iceland's southwestern coast, it has trimmings that few cities of 40,000 can afford—university, museum, national library (with more books in proportion to the population than has the U. S. Library of Congress), radio station, and art gallery. Printing is a major industry, for Iceland publishes far more books per capita than the United States.

Modernistic homes and apartment buildings of reinforced concrete get electricity for light and cooking from a nearby waterfall, draw heat from local hot springs, and thus turn chimneys into ornaments. Reykjavik was the first permanent settlement of rebel Vikings from Norway who settled Iceland in the 870's.

From Reykjavik the sight-seeing Yank can glimpse Snaefellsjokull, northwest across the bay of Faxaflói. This is one of Iceland's menagerie of more than 100 volcanoes, of which the most famous is Mt. Hekla, in the south. Vatnajokull, east, is a whole family of volcanic giants blanketed beneath 3,300 square miles of snow and glaciers.

A cousin of the volcanoes is the Great Geyser—Icelandic for "gusher"—first of the world's steaming fountains to be discovered and the source of their name. Hot springs supply free boiling water to steam-heating

systems, swimming pools, Reykjavik's public laundry, and greenhouses for growing tomatoes and even bananas. The biggest harvest is reaped from the sea. Iceland catches more fish per capita—7,000 pounds and up each year—than any other European nation. Icelanders invented the trick of steaming cod livers fresh on board ship to save vitamins. Fish products



ICELAND is three-fifths as large as New England.

make up as much as 96 per cent of the exports. American children get sunshine vitamins from Icelandic cod-liver oil.

Many fishermen are between-time farmers. Literally making hay while the midnight sun shines, they harvest grass from irrigated fields for the winter feed of 600,000 sheep. Besides hay, in the short summers farmers can raise little more than potatoes, rutabagas, and turnips. About one-half of one per cent of the island's area is cultivated—the green fringe of lowlands surrounding the grasslands, glaciers and lava deserts of the central plateau.

All Iceland's towns stand beside fjords and bays. Akureyri in the north, with 5,300 inhabitants, ranks next to Reykjavik. Siglufjörður, 40 miles northwest has barely 3,000 permanent residents, but summer fishing brings four times that many fishermen and makes it the "herring Klondike."

WHERE ARE THE YANKS?



ICELAND, touching the Arctic Circle, is a nation of fishermen. Drawn because of strategic location into the role of sentry station for the United Nations, it watches over North Atlantic sea and air lanes and sees Europe's weather in the making. Yanks on patrol marvel at its ice-capped volcanoes, its Great Geyser, its nightless midsummer, its smokeless steam-heated capital—Reykjavik. Iceland has a 1,000-year-old parliament, a distinct language and literature.

2d Battalion Gets Hard-Won Citation

WASHINGTON — Battle Honors have been awarded to the 2d Battalion of the 30th Infantry Regiment which, when the enemy was holding up the advance of an American Army in Sicily, made two amphibious landings within four days behind the German lines, disrupting the enemy positions and facilitating the American advance, the War Department announces.

The citation, issued by the Commanding General, Fifth Army, in the name of the President, tells the story of what the heroic Infantrymen accomplished, first forcing a breach in the enemy positions and later, without rest or normal preparation, made a second landing in order to seize Mount Creole, a dominating terrain feature between the Naso and Brole rivers, 15 miles behind the German lines.

Name Advisors on Internal Medicine

WASHINGTON—Appointment of 19 civilian consultants to the Office of The Surgeon General as advisors to the Army Medical Department on problems of internal medicine is announced by the War Department.

The consultants were selected from among the foremost authorities in eight special fields of internal medicine; gastro-enterology or diseases of the stomach and intestines; heart disease; skin diseases; infectious diseases; chemotherapy, or drug treatment; allergy; tropical diseases and tuberculosis.

The expert advice of these consultants will supplement that afforded by the special consultants selected from officers in the Medical Corps. The work of the civilian advisers will be carried on through the Medical Department's chief consultant in

medicine, Brig. Gen. Hugh J. Morgan, U. S. Army. They will be paid on a per diem basis for time actually devoted to work for The Surgeon General's Office.

Answers to Quiz

(See "Army Quiz," page 13)

1. In Australia, under Lt. Gen. George C. Kenny.
2. B.
3. C.
4. False. The Soldiers and Sailors Relief Act applies only to liabilities of personnel incurred prior to induction.
5. A.
6. B.
7. C.
8. "Bushido" is the Japanese warrior code to fight to the death and never surrender.
9. A.
10. C. World Almanac, 1944, gives the population of Tokyo as 7,094,600.

Signal Corps Award to Noted Radio Inventor

WASHINGTON—For outstanding contributions to the Signal Corps, Army Service Forces, Dr. Edwin H. Armstrong, noted inventor in the radio field and professor of Electrical Engineering at Columbia University, New York, has been awarded the Chief Signal Officer's Certificate of appreciation, the War Department announces. This Award also has been presented to nine other individuals or companies for outstanding service.

Private Scores 193 Out of Possible 195

FORT STEVENS, ORE.—A 27-year old Fort Stevens soldier scored 193 out of a possible 195 with an Army rifle on May 25, 1944, it was announced by Col. C. S. Doney, Commanding Officer.

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up by Private Bay on the general's jeep radio. Calling for immediate naval gunfire to support the landing of 36th Division infantrymen, radio-men ashore urged that the message be delivered at once.

Bay, despite high breakers which bounced the landing craft around like a ball, stood up on the control deck and searched all boats in the vicinity until he located General Walker who was proceeding to shore in another craft.

Directing the operator of the boat to pull alongside the general's craft, Bay handed General Walker the vital message. He then landed with his vehicle under the intense enemy artillery fire and took cover momentarily.

Realizing the urgency of delivering his car to the division command post, he left his place of safety. As he raced for the jeep he was instantly killed by an artillery shell.

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